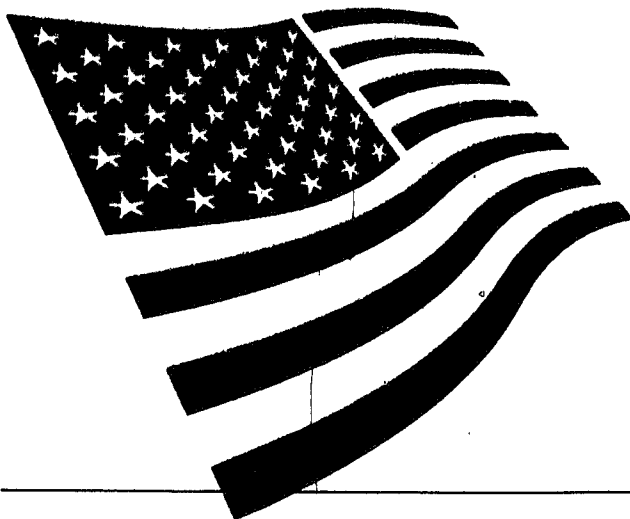


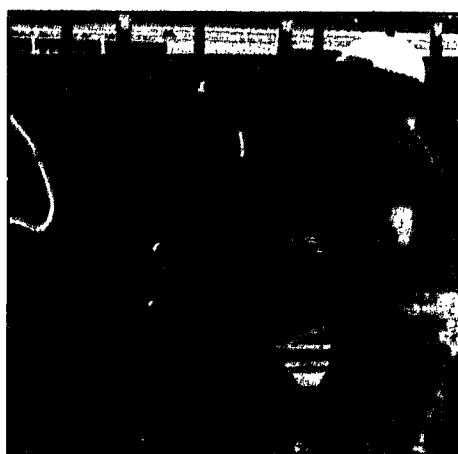
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Coast-wide mounted patrol.

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prizes, information and
lots of fun are planned.

Chamber After Hours today at Old Town

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Save Our Children to host health event

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9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., will
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Piazza, Saucier tie twice in runoff vote

Saucier takes Dem. nomination on coin
toss; Schmitt wins party nod over Harris

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

Two ties threaten to bind the
Democratic nomination for
Waveland's Ward 4 alderman race,
although challenger Santo Saucier

Jr. was declared the official winner
last night after a coin toss.

Saucier tied with his opponent -
and cousin - incumbent Alderman
Charles Piazza Tuesday in a runoff
election. That tie was expected to

have been broken yesterday by the
counting of 40 affidavit ballots, but
the voting again ended in a tie. Two
of the affidavit ballots had been dis-
counted because the people who cast
them had been found to live out of
the city; a third was deemed
"spoiled" because the person who
cast it had accidentally ripped it; and



Piazza



Saucier

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LIFE'S A BEACH



A section of beach near Waveland Ave., still littered with piles of sea grass more than a month since the
devastation caused by Tropical Storm Isidore and Hurricane Lili.

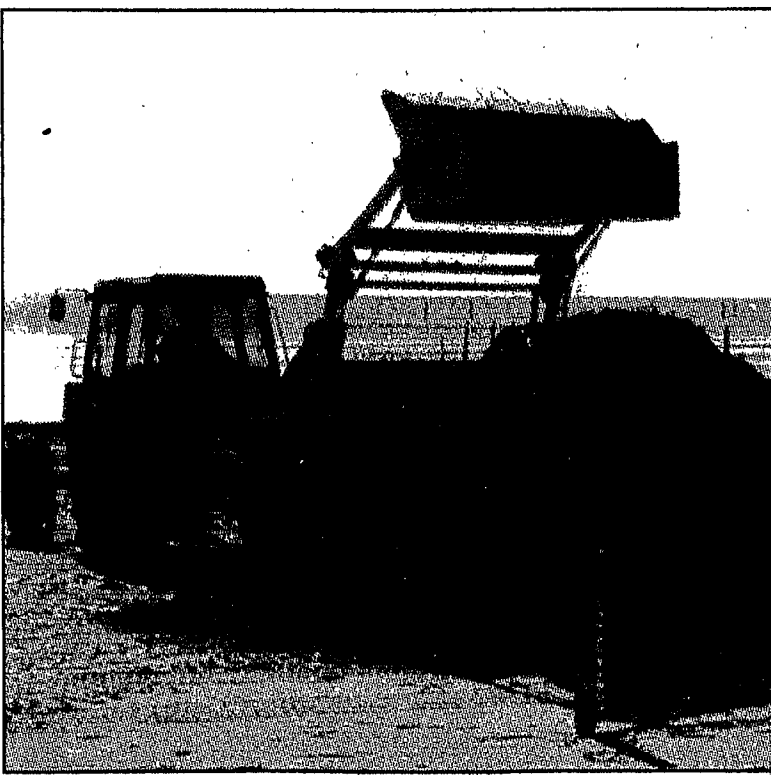
Beach still littered with debris since Lili, Isidore hit the Coast

BY SHANNON JENKINS

Staff Writer
ounds of debris dot the
beaches along Highway 90,
signaling Hancock County's
clean-up effort after Tropical
Storm Isidore and
Hurricane Lili.

Over a month after these
destructive storms, dried
sea grass and other debris
still blanket sections of beach, but county
officials said Isidore and Lili's aftermath
will soon be history.

"The work should be completed within
two to three weeks," said Sammy
McCardel, beach foreman.



A county worker cleaning up near the Bay-Waveland city lim-
its. The beach is expected to be completely cleaned within
the next two-to-three weeks.

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Southern Regional reports conflicted

Consulting firm, district
engineer at odds over figures

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

When the board of Southern Regional
Wastewater Management District meets
with URS representatives on November
27, it will hopefully find the answers to
several questions raised in response to the
most recent study done by the engineering
firm. Plant capacity seems to be at the
center of the disagreements.

The study was presented in August
2002. In January 2001, the firm complet-
ed a first study which made recommenda-
tions on a county wide plan for collection
and treatment of wastewater - which was
contradicted by the 2002 report.

At a recent board meeting, district
engineer Duke Levy was asked to draft a
letter to URS stating several questions he

CONFLICT--PAGE 8A

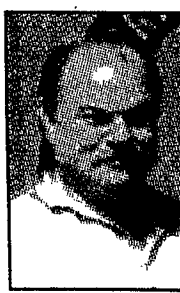
Bay OKs Southern Regional contract - with revisions

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

Bay St. Louis leaders
broke away from the pack
Tuesday, reworking a pro-
posed contract with the
regional sewer authority.

Mayor Eddie Favre said
five other governmental
entities have already
agreed to the original pro-
posal, including Waveland and the
Hancock County Board of Supervisors,
the Hancock County Water and Sewer
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But Bay St. Louis City Council mem-



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Fall Harvest



Kim Uram, president of the Episcopal Church Women, left; and Malln Chamberlain, chairwoman for the Harvest Dinner.

Christ Episcopal Women host annual Harvest Dinner

Christ Episcopal Church will hold its 54th annual Harvest Dinner Thursday, Nov. 21 in Virginia Hall, 912 South Beach Blvd. Church family and friends are invited to participate in this tradition which began in 1948.

For more than five decades, the Women of Christ Church have been preparing a traditional Thanksgiving dinner to raise money for their community and worldwide mission outreach.

The Harvest Dinner tradition began when

Charles and Mary Breath, Jr. opened their home to the Women of the Church.

Seven women prepared the traditional dinner. The menu remains just about the same: turkey, ham, dressing, gravy, sweet potato casserole, creamed spinach, cranberry relish, salad, rolls, dessert, and beverage.

This year the Women of the Church are bringing back Effie McCulloch's famous cranberry relish. Effie's daughter, Linda McCulloch and Nannette Penrose Stroh will work with others in the church

community to prepare this special relish.

The dinner will be available for take-out from 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. at the kitchen door. Dinner will be served inside Virginia Hall from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. The tickets are \$6. They may be obtained in advance from Women of the Church members or may be purchased at the door.

The dinner is a joint effort of the Women of Christ Church, some of whom are the next generation to participate; thus keeping up the tradition.

St. Rose de Lima stages concert

THE SEA COAST ECHO
St. Rose de Lima Gospel Choir will celebrate the Season of Giving by giving a community concert Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church, 301 South Necaise, Bay St. Louis.

There will be no admission charge for the concert; however, there will be a basket in the rear of the church for non-perishable foods, grocery store gift certificates, and monetary donations. The proceeds will be for the needy of the community.

This is an opportunity to hear gospel singing at its best. Under the direction of Al Acker, the 25-plus-member choir has performed at Jazz Fest and at many festivals.

They sang for Toast on the Coast, and in the last

month performed at the House of Blues twice and both times to sold out performances.

They also did a concert for Dustin Hoffman and the production crew of "The Runaway Jury," John Grisham's book, now being filmed in New Orleans. In June they opened for Ray Charles.

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La Violette to speak at Historical Soc. luncheon

Waveland author and oceanographer Paul Estronza La Violette will speak about his upcoming book on Thomas Shieldsboro today at noon at the Hancock County Historical Society Luncheon at 108 Cue St. in Bay St. Louis.

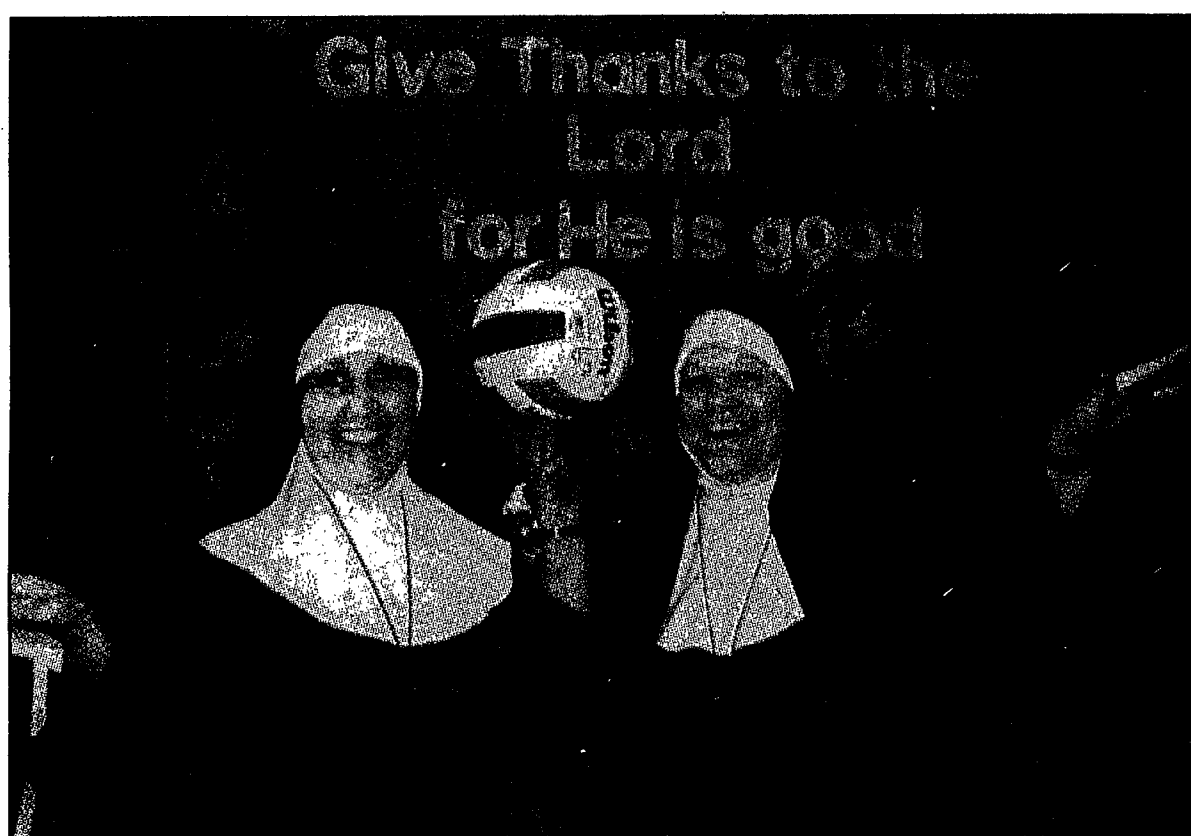
Turkey Bingo this Friday at CBM Elem.

Charles B. Murphy Elementary at Pearlinton will host its annual Turkey Bingo this Friday at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Turkeys and other prizes will be awarded.

CITY OF WAVELAND
VOTING DEADLINE: GENERAL ELECTION
DECEMBER 3, 2002

Waveland City Hall, 2nd Floor, 301 Coleman Avenue will be open Saturday, November 23, 2002 and Saturday, November 30, 2002, from 8:00 am. until 12:00 noon for citizens wishing to vote absentee in the City Election scheduled for Tuesday, December 3, 2002.

Lisa B. Planchard,
Registrar
City Of Waveland



The Sisters are back

The New Convent Sisterhood invites everyone to come and cheer on their favorite team this Saturday night as the sisters take the volleyball court against Our Lady of the Gulf's own Father Chris Munsch and his team of priests and friends. It promises to be a night of great family fun in the Father Peter Mockler Gym (between OLA and Bay Catholic) beginning at 7 p.m. There will be dancing for kids of all ages, refreshments and other entertainment. There just might be a surprise or two. Children are encouraged to dress as their favorite saint, athlete or cheerleader. Admission is your generous donation at the door. Everyone is asked to please wear tennis shoes only.

Revival continues at Greater Mt. Zion AME

The Greater Mt. Zion AME Church at 8th Ave., Pearlinton, will host its fall revival today and tomorrow at 7 p.m. Speaker is Rev. Ernest Scott, pastor of Hartzell Mt. Zion Methodist Church of Slidell.

Off-site pet adoptions Saturday at Waveland

The Waveland Animal Shelter, assisted by Friends of the Animal Shelter in Hancock County, will be holding off-site pet adoptions this Saturday from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. front of Kmart.

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Bay to reconsider zoning code variance provisions

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer

Plans for a \$2.75-million redevelopment of a deteriorated section of Bay St. Louis won approval Tuesday night.

The Bay St. Louis City Council also agreed to consider significant revisions to the zoning code's variance provisions.

The Beaux Arts redevelopment project will include restoration of an art deco building at Ulman and Dunbar streets, and construction of a three-story, 12-unit condominium building on adjoining property.

New Orleans developer Barry Trinchard has purchased the blighted area bounded by Ulman, Dunbar and Webster streets for the two-part redevelopment project. He also has an option on other Ulman Street property, and says he'd like to build two more similar condominiums on that tract in the future.

While city officials applauded the downtown improvement plans, there was some confusion to overcome with the legality of its details. It appeared that zoning on part of the tract might not accommodate Trinchard's proposal without significant variances from the zoning code.

By Tuesday, however, officials were assured that the tract's existing commercial zoning status would facilitate the plans. Council agreed to reconfigure the property's subdivision lines, clearing the way for the project.

Council was assured Trinchard would install a fire sprinkler system in the new building, which will rise to more than 40 feet.

Meanwhile, unrelated recent zoning variance requests on council's agenda have sparked a review of the code's variance regulations. In one recent case, council reluctantly rejected

a variance for a woman who built a carport — without a building permit. The roof is a mere six inches from the property sideline.

A neighbor who objected to the Melody Lane structure pointed out that the code requires nine conditions be met before council can grant any variances — including one provision that states the applicant can't have caused the problem in the first place.

Tuesday, an uncontested variance sought by Jim Henrie for a similar project was approved. Henrie, a member of the city Planning and Zoning Commission had asked council to consider his case on its own merits.

Henrie wants to build two carports on the sides of a duplex on Hickory Lane. A key difference in his request and the one which was rejected is that Henrie sought approval before building.

The applicant whose variance was rejected, Rita McWilliams, had said a friend constructed a roof over an existing slab on her property. She said she didn't realize she needed a building permit or variance for the project.

Tuesday, Henrie's application barely passed. Council president Doug Seal said the city is "up against the wall" with having rejected the other variance request. Ward 2 council member Jim Thrifflay expressed concern over displaying "favoritism" in the Henrie case. And at-large council member Bill Taylor said he would have voted for the McWilliams variance except for the advice that it was legally questionable.

The Henrie variance passed in a three-two vote, with Taylor and Seal voting in the negative. Henrie had abstained from voting when his request was up for action by the Planning and

Zoning Commission.

Later in the meeting, Mayor Eddie Favre said he has asked the city attorney to make a proposal for reworking the variance section of the code. As it stands, he said, it's "virtually impossible to meet all nine conditions the law outlines. 'If you follow that to a 'T,' there's no way you can grant a variance.'"

Taylor agreed with that assessment saying the ordinance needs room for "common sense" applications. Taylor said he voted against Henrie's application, because "his didn't meet all of this anymore than McWilliams' did."

In other matters, council:

- Agreed to renew its contract with United Health Care for municipal health coverage. The new contract has a 17.7 percent rate hike for the city, and will boost employee contributions as well. Favre said extensive study by his staff found nothing better available.

- Agreed to abandon a 15-foot wide strip of Ulman Street right-of-way, at the request of three property owners. Thrifflay voted against the abandonment, saying the property has a value of some \$40,000 and shouldn't be given away. City Attorney John Scaffide said, however, that the city doesn't actually "own" such right-of-way property and can't sell it.

- Was told by Favre that he's hopeful the city can grant employee pay raises during this fiscal year. Even with a 5.5-mill tax increase this year, the city didn't have the money for annual raises.

"Hopefully we'll be a position to give raises before this year is over," said the mayor. He said the administration is "trying to do everything we possibly can do" to save up enough for an employee raise.

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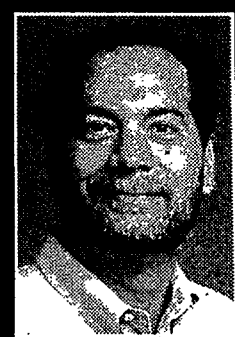
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- Reinstate workshops to increase communication between the aldermen and the mayor
- Attend monthly Hancock County Supervisors meetings to keep up with county issues and how they affect the residents of Waveland
- Investigate all federal, state and local funding available to complete city projects

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Sheriff's Department to join nationwide seat belt campaign

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

The Hancock County Sheriff's Department will participate in a nationwide campaign November 25 through December 1 titled *Click It or Ticket*, according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

The campaign is a crackdown on drivers who don't buckle up and don't buckle up kids with proper restraints, Ray Billeaud, Sheriff's Department School Resource/DUI Enforcement Officer reports.

Billeaud said, "When violence hits the school yard and children die, we hear a national outcry. It's time that our nation expresses similar outrage about the more than 2,000 children who die in traffic crashes each year."

"Clearly, our nation's roadways are one of the most deadly places we take our children. Traffic crashes, in fact, remain the No. 1 killer of kids."

"From November 25 through December 1, Hancock County's deputies will sharply intensify enforcement of adult seat belt and child passenger restraint laws," Garber

said.

The Hancock County Sheriff's Department's deputies will be joining the nationwide blitz of more than 10,000 law enforcement agencies across the nation.

"During this enforcement campaign, we will conduct checkpoints, saturation patrols and ticket drivers who violate traffic safety laws," Billeaud said.

In the year of 2000, motor vehicle crashes took the lives of 1,946 child passenger vehicle occupants from birth to age 15 and injured nearly 320,000 more, according to The National Highway Traffic Safety

Administration.

As of July, 2002, 133 children, ages seven days to 11 years, have died from air bag-related injuries in a crash.

Participation in crackdowns do work, as child fatalities have dropped by 17 percent nationwide since crackdowns began four years ago.

Six out of 10 children who die in crashes are unrestrained. Nearly half of these children would be alive today if only they had been restrained, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

George Yarbrough Waveland Alderman Ward One



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Hancock County Water System Board meets

The Hancock County Water System Board of Commissioners will hold a meeting on Friday at 1 p.m. at the HCWS Maintenance Building at 3082 Longfellow Rd. behind the farmers' market. The meeting will be open to the public.

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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

Go stuff yourself at Harvest Dinner

Today, Christ Episcopal Women will host their annual Harvest Dinner in Virginia Hall, 912 S. Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis.

This is an event which has been happening in Bay St. Louis for over five decades, starting in 1948.

The Women of Christ Episcopal Church have been preparing a traditional Thanksgiving dinner to raise money for their community and worldwide missionary outreach.

The menu includes turkey, ham, dressing, gravy, sweet potato casserole, creamed spinach, cranberry relish, salad, rolls, dessert and beverage.

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This year the Women of the Church are bringing back Effie McCullough's famous cranberry relish. Effie's daughter, Linda McCullough, and Nannette Penrose Stroh will work with others in the church to prepare this special relish.

I hope to see you at the Harvest Dinner, as I will be there for a great meal. Proceeds go to very good causes.

A big event for Diamondhead this evening is the Business & Professional Association's annual Merchants Fair

which will be held at the Diamondhead Country Club. The event will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and there will be food samplings provided by Jackie O's Cafe, Favre's on the Bayou, Diamondhead Supermarket and Bayou Roux Restaurant.

Be sure to register for door prizes and Merchant Money as there will be several, including Hancock Bank's "Dome of Dough," Whitney Bank's give away of a \$500 savings bond, and the Diamondhead Business & Professional Association will give away five \$100 gift certificates good for goods or services from any Diamondhead business.

The Merchants Fair is a very special event in Diamondhead, and a great time to meet old friends and make new acquaintances.

You may want to mark your calendars for a great event which is set to take place on Sunday, December 8, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., and that is the Hancock County Library's 2002 Holiday Tree Gala.

Once again there is a record number of entries with a waiting list. This has grown to one of the top community events of the Christmas Season.

Entertainment will be provided by the St. Rose de Lima Choir and a visit by Santa Claus and Louie St. Louis the Alligator, the library's mascot. Holiday music will be provided by Donna Hutchings.

Last year The Sea Coast Echo's tree entry was decorated with one of my special shirts. You know the style.

Depend on Pittman to plow the ground

Depend on Ed Pittman to plow the ground so Mississippi can end the special interest-driven, multi-million dollar nightmare of electing high court judges and return to appointing them as was done when the revered 1890 Constitution was written.

No better person than the 67-year-old chief justice of the state Supreme Court could sound a clarion call for Mississippi to come to its senses and install a system for appointment of the 19 Supreme and Appeals court judges.

After witnessing another unconscionable binge of campaign spending by interest groups on Nov. 5 to elect state high court judges, Edwin Lloyd Pittman, the energetic long-time advocate of governmental reform, has done just that.

"I am a product of elections, but in recent years I have watched the impartiality of the judiciary erode," declared Pittman, who will not run for re-election when his term ends in 2005.

"I have come to the conclusion I can no longer support the election of appel-

late judges, since we now have no control over the amount of money that can be spent in those elections," he added.

Pittman is talking about making appointive only the two top state courts--the Supreme and Appeals Court. His proposal is to leave the district trial courts--circuit and chancery--elective.

Only since an unprecedented \$5 million, a big chunk of it from out-of-state interest groups, poured into Mississippi's 2000 supreme court races, did Pittman begin leaning toward abandoning the elective system for appellate judges in favor of an appointive/voter retention plan.

By having the trial courts

elect and appellate courts appointive, he said, "that way, you could have an impartial review of the local court work."

Mindful that when the Legislature created the 10-judge court of appeals in 1990, it decided against making them appointive, Pittman declared: "I think our people have learned a great deal since, because of the monumental amount of money that has come into the election process since that time."

He will ask the 2003 Legislature to implement an appointive system, requiring an amendment to Section 145 of the state Constitution.

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Passing Homeland Security was vital

As we have celebrated Veterans Day and thanked the men and women who have protected our country from so many threats in the past, it should also make us more keenly aware of the threats before us today, and more determined to eliminate or minimize those threats.

To do this, the U.S. Senate needs to pass legislation authorizing the creation of a nationwide Department of Homeland Security. This is perhaps the most important issue which has languished before the Senate in recent months.

By the time you read this column I hope the partisan impasse which has held up this legislation far too long will be resolved.

Make no mistake. President George W. Bush will eventually get the Congressional approval needed to establish a Department of Homeland Security.

If it does not happen now, it will likely happen when I

take over as Senate Majority Leader in January. This new and unprecedented agency will be constructed of pieces of 100 different government organizations, consolidating in one place all activities heeded to protect America proper from terrorists, drug smugglers, international criminals, illegal aliens and a host of other violators of America's territorial sovereignty and national security.

The terrorist attacks happened in part because of breakdowns in a number of key federal duties - including intelligence snafus, immigration and naturalization mistakes, and airport security breaches.

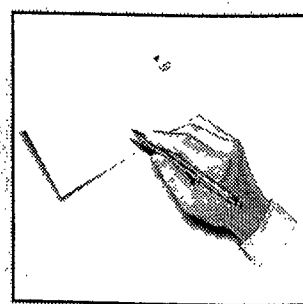
We can no longer have redundant, isolated or inefficient domestic security efforts in a world in which terrorists seek to attack us right here in our own land.

The new department will have four divisions: border and transportation security; emergency preparedness

Letters to the Editor

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



and response; chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear countermeasures and information analysis and infrastructure protection. With these activities administered from one place, Americans can expect better protection from 9/11-style attacks and other menacing threats which face our nation in this new century.

Primarily geared toward man-made disasters, the Department of Homeland Security will also include something very important in states like Mississippi, which are prone to natural disasters.

As we saw this week with the devastating tornadoes which almost destroyed the Mississippi University for Women campus, a host of

natural threats regularly haunts our local landscape. Here too, the Department of Homeland Security will be beneficial because it will have the power to help mitigate the effects of natural disasters in conjunction with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Through the Coast Guard, the new department will assist with search and rescue operations, as well as drug interdiction, which is important along our Gulf Coast and in our ports.

Rather than alienating local efforts, the new department will work cooperatively with state and local governments, as well as the private sector.

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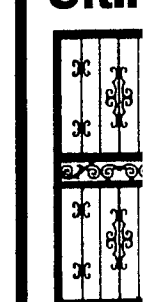
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"I would create by law a nominating committee in each of the Supreme Court districts," Pittman added. "That committee would nominate three names from which list the governor would be required to select one."

He said he felt it important that the method and structure of nominating committees be given legal status so it could not be altered by each governor.

"Governors (William) Winter and (Bill) Allain by proclamation made an effort to create nominating committees to screen potential judges to fill vacancies on the court," Pittman added, "and it worked pretty well while it lasted."

But because those nominating committees did not have statutory status, that concept has disappeared in later administrations.

Pittman said he favored a judge merit/retention plan similar to the widely known "Missouri" plan. His proposal would require a judge after serving a three-year appointed term to face a retention vote of the people-

up or down-in order to serve an eight-year term.

To illustrate how money has come to play an inordinate role in election for the state's highest courts, Pittman cited his personal experience of spending only \$33,000 when he was first elected in 1988 over four opponents.

That price went up to \$300,000 when he was reelected in 1996 and found himself being opposed by BIPEC (Business and Industry Education Committee) which he said, contended it "needed a judge better for business."

"I just could not take their oath, or any other special interest's oath," Pittman declared. "The only thing that protects democracy is the impartiality of the judiciary."

Many Mississippians think the system of electing judges in this state is a sacrosanct dictum handed down by the state's basic law, the post-Reconstruction 1890 Constitution. Not so.

The 1890 document provided that judges of the

lower trial courts--circuit and chancery--were to be appointed by the governor. The three judges on the state's supreme court also were appointed by the governor from districts, by and with, the consent of the state Senate.

In the early part of last century, when the agrarian, so-called Progressive movement swept into Mississippi, (the era of flamboyant James K. Vardaman) a public demand arose to elect judges by popular vote.

A constitutional amendment, pushed through by the small-farm voters, in 1912 made the lower trial courts elective by popular vote.

Then, in 1916, a second constitutional amendment made judges of the supreme court also elective, tossing the state's highest level of the judicial system into the political maelstrom. Nine decades later it is even deeper immersed in political muck and now swathed in amounts of political cash undreamed-of when the elective system began.

What worsens our dilemma of big bucks fueling the system of electing high court judges is that the federal courts deny Mississippi the power to limit judicial campaign spending. Renewed proof of that came recently when the U.S. Supreme Court declined to allow the state under its campaign finance disclosure law to require the giant business lobby, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, to report the source and amount of money it spent in our 2000 judgeship races.

Inability of the state to control spending in appellate judgeship races, said Pittman, was a big factor in his change in favor of an appointive system of high court judges.

"Realistically, we are faced with either having no elections or elections driven by monumental amounts of money over which we have no control," Pittman added.

The chief justice had made known his views favoring appointive appellate judges in a speech to the annual meeting of Common Cause/Mississippi

on Nov. 8 and the following week on ETV's "Statewide Live."

But Pittman, the reformer, still has other ground to plow in the judicial field.

Possibly even lifting this state's old taboo against cameras in trial courtrooms. Over a year ago, Pittman spearheaded putting five TV cameras in the Supreme Court to provide live broadcasts of oral arguments before the court over the court's website.

Next week, a study committee created by Pittman, headed by Associate Justice James Graves, will make its recommendations on use of cameras in trial courts. The odds favor lifting the ban, so Mississippi can join many other states which have long permitted news photographers to use cameras in the courtroom.

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Lott -- Homeland Security

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In place will be an inter-governmental affairs staff to coordinate federal homeland security programs with state and local officials.

The department will give state and local officials one primary contact instead of multiple ones when it comes to matters related to training, equipment, planning and other critical response needs.

Additionally, the U.S. Secret Service would be incorporated under the auspices of the new

Department of Homeland Security. The Secret Service will report to the Secretary for Homeland Security, and its primary mission will remain to protect our President, other governmental leaders and to continue providing security for national events like the Super Bowl.

Most Americans, and a bipartisan majority in Congress, support President Bush's call to protect our nation from a new generation of threats. The

post September 11, 2001 world is a much different place.

Terrorists who seek to kill and destroy in our own territory; and evil despots abroad who seek to acquire terrible weapons, must be met with defiance. The first step in this defiance is to protect our freedom.

The first step in protecting our freedom is to protect

our families, home and nation with the establishment of a centralized, efficient and effective Department of Homeland Security.

Senator Lott welcomes any questions or comments about this column. Write to: U.S. Senator Trent Lott, 487 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510 (Attn: Press Office)



Photo by Liz Wagner Maio

The Bay's living art treasure, Alice Moseley, exchanged stories with Ilona Royce-Smithkin, creator and star of the popular PBS TV series, "Ilona's Palette." Ilona is teaching two one-week courses in Bay St. Louis at The Lumbeyard Art Center, 299 S. Second Street. Herman, Alice's dog, was privy to their conversation and listened attentively. Ilona returns to her New York studio after Nov. 22. She loves Bay St. Louis, the town and the people and hopes to return to teach another course. Anyone interested in future courses should contact Jerry Dixon at Serenity Gallery, (228) 467-0361.

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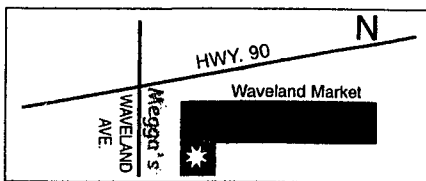


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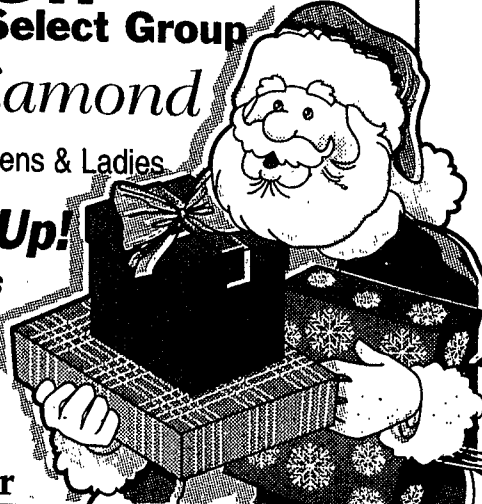
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had in regard to study findings. Controversy still continues over many aspects of plant performance and the direction that the district will take for future treatment needs in the county. Plant manager Doyle Ladner said that with current customers, dry weather flow through the plant averaged about 3 million gallons per day (MGD), with higher flows for wet weather.

Levy said in his recent letter, addressed to the board and forwarded to URS, that figures estimating capacity to be 4 MGD, were compiled through calculated values rather than actual field tests. Levy said that actual field testing at the plant, completed in May, showed capacity to be 5 MGD and possibly higher.

A 1990 document from Hunter Services, Inc., which reports results of a year of field testing at the plant, states that the plant had a daily flow capacity of 2.5 MGD and a maximum flow capacity of 3.2 MGD. Plant records show that in 1994 the plant was further upgraded to increase capacity by 1.5 MGD. The study completed in January 2001 by URS states that Southern Regional "is currently a 4 MGD capacity conventional activated

sludge and extended aeration plant."

At an August presentation, URS representatives said that before the recent \$11 million-plus upgrade, the plant had a 3 MGD capacity and that, the upgrade added 1 MGD of capacity to the plant.

On Wednesday, URS senior project manager Mike Paterno said that original capacity estimates in the January 2001 study were obtained from the district itself, not actual testing by URS. The purpose of obtaining the figures, he said, was to enable URS to make the best possible recommendations on treatment service for the county, not to obtain an accurate capacity estimate. Those figures were merely to be used for a conceptual plan, he said.

Figures given in the August 2002 study, he said, were the result of figures calculated as a result of URS's own study. The difference in capacity estimates is a result of several factors, Paterno said. Though the original activated-sludge portion of the plant was originally rated at 2.5 MGD, it was based on the presence of eight rotary biological contractors (RCB's), which are no longer on line. Paterno also said that a

mechanical arm which operates in tanks also reduced the actual volume of capacity in those tanks, taking capacity in the old plant from 2.5 to 1.5 MGD.

URS was asked to come in when there was a question that the recent upgrade reduced capacity, Paterno said, but that is not the case. The estimates his company presented are conservative, he said, and not intended to stretch limits, but there are always gray areas in the question of treatment capacity. The district is headed in the right direction, he said.

Additionally, representatives from URS said, a bottleneck at the plants digesters further reduced capacity to about 3.2 MGD; URS recommended that the district spend \$800,000 to add digesters which would bring capacity back to 4 MGD. The digesters are the final process in sludge treatment and must have the capacity to allow sludge to process properly for removal.

Currently, Breaux Services removes wet sludge from the plant for land farming. Breaux's permit requires a Class B sludge, which ideally requires the material to be processed in digesters for about 40 days. Test results from Micro Methods taken in June, July and October show the plant to be in complete compliance for Class B sludge.

Levy said that a new cen-

trifuge added in the recent upgrade would alleviate any bottleneck at digesters by taking sludge through a dewatering process, to be removed as a dry material that could be taken to a landfill or composted. A landfill does not require sludge to be Class B. Composting further processes sludge to a Class A. Also in the recent upgrade, the district purchased composting equipment and prepared a composting site.

But board members have questioned the wisdom of having a composting operation on the plant site. One worry is the odor that might be generated by the process.

Louisiana State University has a composting research program and offered to include Southern Regional in the program several months ago. But recent advertisement for bids on sludge removal only resulted in two responses - one for wet and one for dry sludge removal. LSU did not submit a proposal. So unless the district decides to advertise for new bids, composting will not be an option at this time, said district attorney Ronnie Artiques.

Paterno said he stood by original recommendations for one central treatment plant, because, among other reasons, the savings in operating and maintenance costs of running only one plant, and the fact that only one plant would need to be permitted.

Tie

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a fourth was put into the mix to be counted, but turned out to have been marked in the wrong place, and couldn't be counted for either candidate.

After all the votes had been counted, both men had 163 votes.

"Under state election laws," Jim Tolar, of the Democratic Executive Committee told everyone assembled for the vote tally Wednesday night, "at this point, the two candidates have a choice of how they want to decide the election."

Tolar said the men could toss a coin or pull numbers out of a hat.

"Now, this does not preclude them from contesting it, but this has to be done before we can proceed," he said.

"I feel that we are entitled to inspect these ballots here before the election is declared tonight," Piazza said, "and I think that Santo feels the same way."

However, Tolar said, state law requires the coin toss or other tie-breaking measure before the ballots may be recounted.

After the toss - Saucier called "heads" on the coin, which was flipped by Waveland Police Chief James Varnell - Piazza requested two recounts of the affidavit ballots by the ballot-counting machines, overseen by county Election Commissioner Jay Lagasse.

The first recount came up with the same results. The second recount ended halfway through because the counter malfunctioned. The affidavits were then all counted again by hand, with city clerk Lisa Planchard calling them out one-by-one and representatives from each candidate - and Lagasse - counting along.

The results still came out the same.

Although Saucier was declared the official winner, Tolar said, Piazza has 12 days in which he may ask to examine the ballots. To do so, he must give a three-day notice to Saucier and the Democratic Executive committee. Once the ballots are

examined, if he finds a discrepancy reason to contest the election, he has 20 days to file a petition with the committee, Tolar said. The committee then has the right to reject or accept that petition.

"So, you're kind of like the Supreme Court?" Piazza asked.

Tolar said "no, but ... we call this an election but it's really a nomination procedure."

In other words, the party is choosing who its candidate will be in the general

election, not who the actual Ward 4 alderman will be. If Piazza disagrees with the committee's decision on the petition, he may take it to circuit court - if, under state law, he can find two attorneys from two different law firms who agree with his assessment that there has been a discrepancy.

Brian Schmitt was declared the official winner last night in the Democratic nomination for the Ward 3 alderman's position vacated by Louie Smolensky. Schmitt earned 131 votes to opponent Clarence Harris's 102 in Tuesday's runoff; then earned 16 of the 35 counted affidavits yesterday to Harris's 17, bringing the total to 147-119.

The winner of the Piazza-Saucier runoff - for now, Saucier - will square off against Republican candidate Judanne "Judee" "Red" English in the general election. Schmitt will face Republican challenger Scott Blackwell.

In other Waveland city races on the Dec. 3 general election ballot: Incumbent Mayor John "Tommy" Longo, the Democratic candidate, will defend his office against Republican Jay Fountain and Independent W.E. "Bill" Cross; Democrat Keith Mitchell will face Republican candidate George E. Yarbrough to determine who wins incumbent Ward 1 Alderman Milton Bernard's seat; and incumbent Ward 2 Alderman Ricky Geoffrey will defend his seat against Republican Jay Trapani.

Diamondhead Fall Festival

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Beach -- debris cleanup

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Roger Ladner, road superintendent, said most of Bay St. Louis beaches have been cleaned and the current mounds of debris piled up from Garfield Ladner Pier to the Washington Street pier will be moved Friday and Saturday. Then, clean-up efforts will continue west of Garfield Ladner Pier.

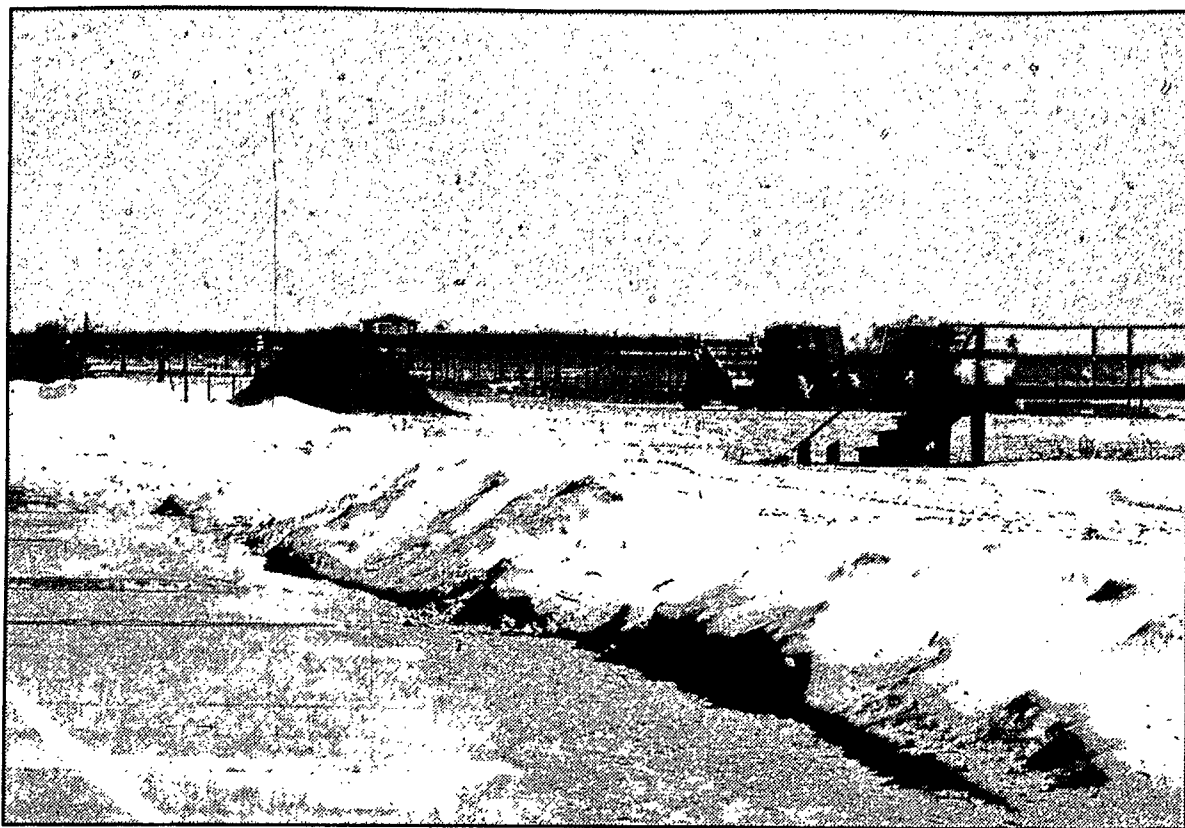
"Bear with us," said Tim Kellar, Hancock County Chancery Clerk. "The county is doing all it can to clean up the beach and restore it to its original beauty."

Kellar said the back-to-back storms were responsible for the delay in clean-up efforts.

When Isidore hit, the county spent about \$180,000 to clean up before Lili could cause more damage. Kellar said about \$100,000 of the cost came from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's final payment for the clean up efforts from Hurricane George in 1998, which the county received in August 2002.

The county turned to FEMA once again when Lili came through because it had strained its resources, Kellar said.

According to FEMA guidelines, the county could



County crews work on cleaning the beach Tuesday morning.

Echo staff photo by Shannon Jenkins

not be reimbursed in full if county workers cleaned up debris during their regular shifts. Thus, the crews began working after hours to clean up the debris, resulting in the delay.

However, Kellar said the beach crew now works during regular hours.

"The county should get reimbursed for most of the cost of clean up," Kellar

said. "We will get reimbursed in full for the work completed after hours."

Kellar said some of the expenses incurred by the clean-up are county labor, county equipment and fuel.

The beach crew consists of six workers, who use beach sweepers to pile up the debris. The mounds are then scooped up by a front-end loader and dumped into

trucks that transport the debris to a rubbish site in Pearllington.

Kellar said the county has already obtained collection and burning permits from the Department of Environmental Quality. Once all the clean-up is complete, Kellar said the debris will be left to dry out and will be burned once the weather is right.

Contract -- Bay eyes Southern Regional

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bers balked at some of the provisions and wording in the 12-page arrangement with the Southern Regional Wastewater Management District.

A key sticking point was a proposal allowing the district's board to spend up to \$350,000 for additions and improvements to its facilities without the unanimous vote of the authority's board and a two-thirds agreement of all participant governments in the authority.

Council sliced that threshold down to \$200,000, saying it would give them more control over the authority's expenditures, and more understanding authority plans before they are implemented.

"I think the \$350,000 has to be lowered - drastically," said councilman at-large Bill Taylor. "The higher that sum is, the less we know about what's going on."

Taylor said he's often at odds to explain to constituents the workings of the authority. "People say, 'What's going on over there?' and we say, 'Oh, I don't know. We give them \$350,000 to do what they want.'"

Favre, who had asked to have the debate held behind closed doors, stressed to council that the \$350,000 cap is an entirely new provision in the arrangement among governments.

Previously, there was no limit on how much the district board could spend without the specific agreement of the members of the district. Favre noted that the district had moved ahead with an \$11.5 million expansion without the specific agreement of all members, and he insisted that the \$350,000 cap was a major step to give members more say in district affairs.

Favre said the time could come when a proposed expenditure would be difficult to pass muster with a vote of four out of six governments.

Still, Taylor and council president Doug Seal insisted that a new limit - less than \$350,000 - is appropriate. Council agreed with Favre that the cap should be waived in the event of emergencies that demand immediate action, or to keep the authority in compliance with its federal environ-

mental permits.

Taylor had raised 10 points of concern over provisions in the contract earlier this month, after scouring its details. At Tuesday's meeting, Favre said the document was drafted by six attorneys and, consequently, contained some difficult-to-decipher provisions.

At Taylor's suggestion, two of those were deleted entirely, including dictates concerning how the city keep its own books pertaining to the payments it has to make to the authority. The city also cut a sentence that could have kept unspecified provisions in the prior contract in effect - if not covered in the new contract.

Council also had balked at one paragraph which stated the city would be "unconditionally obligated" to pay the authority its monthly share of the bills whether or not the treatment system is operating.

Favre said that wordage is necessary primarily to ensure that the district's bonded indebtedness will be covered, even if a member government is shut out of the system for non payment. Council agreed to insert a stipulation that the contract provision relates only to bonded indebtedness.

And council members asked for further explanation over the proposed contract's termination date: 38 years from September 18, 1987. Officials said that possibly is a requirement in financial bond documents.

Agreement on detailed provisions of the contract came during a late-night meeting of City Council, open to the public for the discussion over the objection of Mayor Eddie Favre. The Sea Coast Echo objected to closing the meeting on the grounds that the inter-governmental arrangement is not similar to other "contract negotiations" authorized by the state Freedom of Information Act for such sessions.

City Attorney John Scaffide, asked by Ward 2 council member Jim Thriffley if the subject "merits an executive session," replied, "No." Taylor and Seal also had said earlier in the meeting that it should remain open.

Taylor said the three members of the district board are to be commended for the long hours, non-paid duties they perform. He also said his comments should not be taken to mean that he thinks the board has any intentions of "going wild" with spending. "I think the district will be as frugal as possible."

By law, the district board includes only three voting members: designees of Bay St. Louis, Waveland and the Board of Supervisors. The six-body membership also includes three entities which don't have a direct vote on the board.

Officials noted Tuesday that as a practical matter, the contract rule for a unanimous vote of the board on major spending proposals gives Favre and the other two board officials an effective veto power.

For years the authority operated the Waveland sewage treatment facility in a much less complex arrangement, since only Waveland and Bay St. Louis had sewer systems to collect wastewater. In recent years, however, vast unincorporated areas of the county are constructing sewer collection lines that connect with the system - and more are on the way.

The new contract actually lessens Bay St. Louis' burden in the arrangement, since it requires that all costs of operating the treatment system and its bonded indebtedness will be prorated among the entities. A formula distributes all the costs on a usage basis.

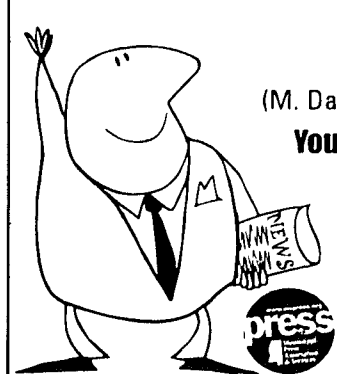
Favre said the city at times was paying some 70 percent of the facility's expenses - a number that's now down to about 42 percent and should drop further as other outlying areas are added to the treatment facility.

Bay St. Louis has budgeted \$875,000 in revenue from its utility customers this year to make its payments to the authority, an increase of some \$365,000 over what the city collected last year.

Due to a rate increase that was imposed by the city in September, those receipts are expected to cover all the billings the city gets from the authority this year. Favre said that in the

past the city was covering its bills from the authority with supplements from other sources.

It remained unclear Tuesday night what impact, if any, the Bay St. Louis alterations of the contract will have on other members of the district. Favre said he plans to call a special meeting of council prior to Thanksgiving to get the new contract ratified.



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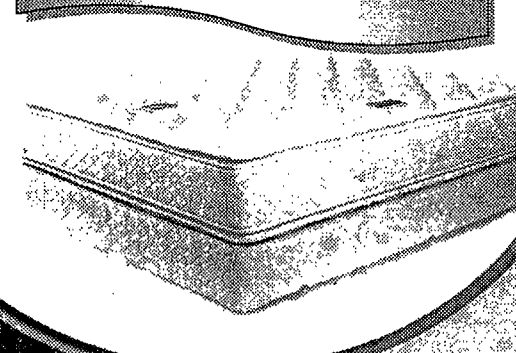
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Gwen or Bill at 255-4887. Seating is limited. All money raised will be used to help those with visual or hearing impairments.

Why don't more locals work at Stennis?

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Why don't more people in Hancock County have the opportunity to be employed at Stennis Space Center? The question was considered at the Hancock County Supervisors meeting on Wednesday during a visit from Mike Craft of the Mississippi Employment Security Commission. The state is divided into six areas. Hancock County and Stennis Space Center are located in area six of the Workforce Investment Network (WIN), but the main employment for the Space Center is located in Picayune, said tax assessor collector Jimmie Ladner, which he said is an unusual occurrence.

Chancery Clerk Tim Kellar said that he would like to see the main employment office for the center be moved into Hancock County. Supervisors agreed and expressed their concern that many jobs at the center

were being given to residents of other counties.

A lot of companies post job openings on the Internet, said Craft and may not even use the employment center. Kellar said that he understood that many technical jobs were posted on the Internet, but that many other blue collar jobs were posted at the Picayune office and already filled by the time Hancock County applicants discovered the openings.

"It only makes sense that since we have given up a third of our county to the center," Kellar said. "That the prime employment center be here."

Craft suggested that supervisors meet with Space Center companies to make their wishes known. He said he would do what he could in a request to the Employment Commission.

In other business:

• John Wilkerson appeared as a spokesperson for a veterans committee which helps veterans in the

county obtain benefits and services. Wilkerson said that combined pensions and service compensation bring \$6.8 million to the county each year. He asked that supervisors approve a paid full time position for a committee chairman. The chairman may spend fifteen minutes or he may spend two hours helping one person and the position needs to be full time, said Wilkerson. Supervisors approved the position which will be filled by a member of one of seven area American Legion Posts and VFW halls.

• Nolan Ladner asked supervisors to look into operating policies at the farmer's market on Longfellow Rd. Ladner said that the original purpose of the market was to allow local farmers to sell home-grown produce, but that many sellers at the market obtained their goods at produce markets. Ladner said there were only a handful of Hancock County farmers. He also complained that

policies regarding booths were not fair. Booths used to be on a first come, first served basis, Ladner said, but many times he found himself pushed from under the covered market area by people who claimed to have reservations, even though he arrived hours earlier. Supervisors agreed to look into the situation and take control of all funds collected from booth rental and use it for needed construction at the market, such as adding more covered areas. District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour said he would like to see Hancock county farmers have priority in the covered areas of the market.

• Wade Ladner told supervisors that the Equine Arena Facility could be the site of much more than livestock shows in the very near future. A music festival is in the planning stages for May and a Fall Festival Extravaganza is also in the works, Ladner said, as well as a dog show and several horse shows.

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Now, through the generosity of many donors, everyone (even those who must use a wheelchair or have some other problem using stairs) can join in the worship. A ramp has been built.

St. Joseph Chapel, erected in 1896 under the guidance of the Bay's Our Lady of the Gulf pastor Fr. Le Duc, was established in the Cedar Point area for the convenience of the Catholics in the vicinity.

In addition to the many native Catholics in that locale there were a good number of Catholic Slavs and Austrians who were brought in from Baltimore, Maryland on a seasonal basis to work in the canning factory operated by the Dunbar family interests at the north end of the Bay in the Cedar Point area.

The topic of access for folks with mobility challenges came into focus about 10 years ago when a group of ladies from the Dunbar Village Nursing Home expressed interest in



Descending ramp at St. Joseph Chapel are Jay Marsh (in wheelchair), Elenor Marsh (behind), Betty Renz, Eddie Renz II, Lynne McCubbin and Chad McCubbin.

visiting a St. Joseph Altar in the St. Joseph Chapel. They were not able to do so because the chapel was not wheelchair accessible.

The obvious solution of a ramp into the chapel was complicated by the desire to maintain the historical character of the century-old building.

After numerous consultations with the local and state historical societies, it was determined that a ramp on the side of the chapel would not destroy the historicity of the structure.

During this period of investigation, efforts were

going on to accumulate the necessary monies needed to bring the project into being.

Actually, the funds to accomplish the project were in hand before all the "go aheads" were obtained from the historical and religious authorities involved.

Now, Monsignor Gregory Johnson, the celebrant for weekly services, and all the Friends of St. Joseph are delighted to welcome everyone (whether ambulatory or using a wheelchair) to come Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning to join in the worship at St. Joseph Chapel on Dunbar.

'Women in White' march for peace

Nov. 22-23 Gulfside Assembly will honor Theresa Hoover, retired executive for the Women's Division of the United Methodist Church.

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Stroke screening in Bay St. Louis

Residents living in and around the Bay Saint Louis community can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke. Life Line Screening will be at the Hancock County Civic Center Dec. 4 at 3068 Longfellow Drive in Bay Saint Louis. Appointments will begin at 9 a.m.

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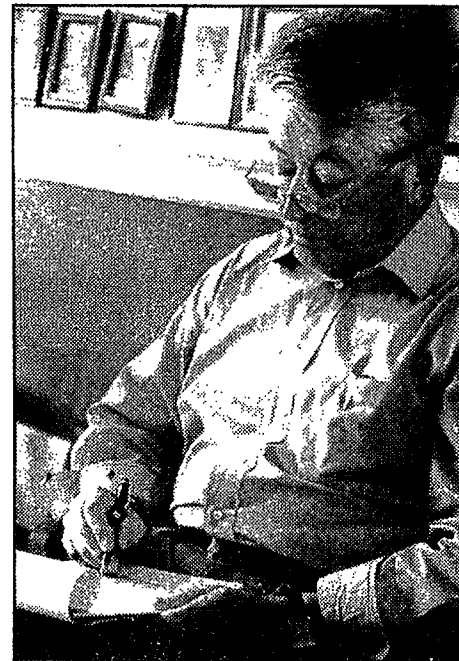
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MADGE BLACKBURN
Madge Davis Blackburn of Pass Christian died November 17, 2002 at the home of her daughter, Maude Blackburn Megison and her son-in-law, Dr. John W. Megison in Metairie.

Mrs. Blackburn worked for the Citizen's Tribune in Morristown, Tenn. where she won State of Tennessee Journalism award; she retired in Pass Christian.

Mrs. Blackburn was preceded in death by her husband, James Blackburn; her parents, Allen John Davis and Maude Livesay Davis; and a sister, Mary Davis Rawlins.

Survivors include four children, Joy Manuel of Fairhope, AL, George Wheatley of Morristown, TN, Katherine B. Pavolini of Pass Christian, and Maude B. Megison of Metairie; a brother, Brigadier General Sidney L. Davis, USAF Ret., and wife Sheila of Elizabethtown, TN; seven grandchildren, great-grandchildren and step-grandchildren.

Visitation will be at Riemann Pass Christian Chapel on Thursday, November 21 from noon to 2 p.m. There will be a private family burial at the cemetery. Burial will be in Live Oak Cemetery, Pass Christian.

ARTHUR BOUDREAUX

Arthur W. Boudreaux, 64, of Cleveland, Texas, died Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2002.

Mr. Boudreaux was born

and raised in New Orleans and moved to Cleveland, Texas in 1974.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Norma E. and Jean S. Boudreaux; and a sister, Emma B. Nelson.

Survivors include his wife, Carman Rosich; daughters Karen Fawcett, Amy Turner, Paula Arnold and Rachel King; sisters Norma B. Spunizo, Rita B. Breun of Kiln, and Jean B. Derbes; a brother, Gerard A. Boudreaux; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Memorial services were conducted Nov. 9 in Cleveland.

LORETTA M. BYRD

Loretta M. Byrd, 60, of Pass Christian, died Sunday, Nov. 17, 2002, in Pass Christian.

Services are pending at Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home in Gulfport.

GERALD DANIELS JR.

Gerald G. (Woody) Daniels, Jr. of Gulfport has died.

Mr. Daniels was a native of Knoxville, Tenn. He was employed as a security guard for Casino Magic in Bay St. Louis and served in the military.

He is preceded in death by his father, Gerald Daniels Sr.

Survivors include his mother, Elizabeth Daniels of Highland, Calif.; three brothers, Anthony Daniels of San Diego, Calif., David Daniels, Jeffery Daniels, both of Highland, Calif.; two sisters, Lillie Levy of San Bernardino, Calif. and Mary Alice Spears of Highland, Calif.; a son, Gerald Daniels III of Pass Christian; a daughter, Easla Daniels of Los Angeles; and six grandchildren.

Services were conducted Monday at New Community Hope in Gulfport. Lockett-

Williams Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.

CAMILLE MCELVEEN

Camille Capponi McElveen, 75, a native of New Orleans and resident of Bay St. Louis for the past six years, died Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2002 in New Orleans.

Survivors include her husband, Leahmon P. McElveen; daughters Darryl Borne, Donna Cefalu and Denise Courtiade; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted Monday at Schoen Funeral Home in New Orleans. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery in New Orleans.

WILLIAM MORRIS

William David Morris, 60, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Morris was a native of Winder, Ga. and a resident of Bay St. Louis for more than 30 years. He was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis and a member of the American Legion Post 139 in Bay St. Louis. He was the office administrator for OPI Offshore, Orange, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edgar Thomas and Mamie Lee O'Kelly Morris; and brothers Julian and Lewis Morris.

Survivors include his wife, Carol Morris of Bay St. Louis; a son, Rod Morris and wife Kay of Waveland; daughters Tyra Tomasich and husband Randy and Kendra James, all of Bay St. Louis; sisters Hilda England of Winder, Ga. and Ann Ridgeway of Bethlehem, Ga.; brothers Bobby Morris of Winder and Sam Morris of Tampa Bay, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

Visitation will be today, Nov. 21, 7-9 p.m. with recitation of the Rosary at 8

p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated Friday at 10 a.m. in Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis followed by interment in Rotten Bayou Cemetery in Kiln.

ELSIE PHILLPOTT

Elsie Carr Phillpott, 91, of Bay St. Louis, died Saturday, Nov. 16, 2002, in New Orleans.

Mrs. Phillpott was a native of New Orleans until moving to Metairie in 1950 before moving to Diamondhead in 1978. She and her late husband, Eric "Mike," were both former members of St. Andrews Episcopal Church in New Orleans. They were instrumental in the founding of two Episcopal churches, St. Augustine in Metairie and St. Thomas in Diamondhead.

She retired as secretary to the headmaster of St. Martin Episcopal High School and was past secretary to the St. Martin Board of Trustees. She was a musician and organist for the church and school. She was an active member and officer of the Republican Women's Club of Mississippi and the Diamondhead Garden Club for 14 years. She was also involved with activities associated with her boat and airplane in Diamondhead.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Eric "Mike" Phillpott; and her parents, William A. and Isabel Kaufman Carr.

Survivors include sons Eric R. Phillpott, Jr. of Metairie and James W. Phillpott of Lynn Haven, Fla.; a daughter, Martha P. Templeton of Pineville, La.; a sister, Rose Carr Parker of New Orleans; eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted Saturday, Dec. 7 at noon in St. Martin Episcopal Church in Metairie and Monday, Dec. 9 at noon at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Diamondhead.

Commitment to the Columbarium will follow at St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Diamondhead.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

PEGGY SINGLETARY

Peggy M. Singletary, 71, of Perkinston, died Monday, Nov. 18, 2002, in Perkinston.

Mrs. Singletary was retired from the housekeeping department at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Perkinston campus. She was a member of Faithview Baptist Church in Saucier.

Survivors include her husband, Gerald Singletary of Perkinston; two sons, Gerald Singletary Jr. of Purvis and David Singletary of Benndale; two daughters, Mary Lena Brewer of Pass Christian and Brandy Hickman of Perkinston; two sisters, Elizabeth Ryals of Alabama and Carolyn Jordan of Perkinston; three brothers, Jack Jordan of Georgia, George Jordan of Texas and Joel Jordan of Perkinston; 13 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 5:30 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Moore Funeral Home in Wiggins. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday at the funeral home chapel, with burial in Perkinston Cemetery.

EUGENE SPENCER
Eugene Spencer, 79, of Diamondhead, died Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Services are pending at Westside Leitz Eagan Funeral Home in Marrero, La. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis handled local arrangements.

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This is the first year for such an endeavor that will bring together writers, poets, artists, and musical groups from Mississippi and other states.

Staged at the Grand Casino Hotel in Gulfport during Feb. 7, 8, and 9, 2003, the event is being heralded by tourism groups and business organizations as a novice gala affair that fills the breach between New Year's celebrations and the onset of Mardi Gras festivities.

Promoted as a Writers Conference with a touch of flare - as it is joined by local art and musical groups - the event will offer some-

thing for everyone.

For those who desire to create their first book, or who wish to publish their book, there will be many successful writers who will show and tell.

Also, art connoisseurs will enjoy the pageantry of photography alongside the crafted painted canvases of artistic talents, while throughout, entertainment will be provided in the form of live background music as well as dance and jazz ensembles. A significant mission of this "family affair" will be its emphasis toward interested high school and college students by encouraging them to increased performance levels in literary, visual, and musical arts. Ongoing contests are offered to challenge and channel those who are gifted as well as reaching out to those who

are just mildly interested.

Programming consists of guest speaker sessions and a number of panel discussion groups. Scheduled noted author/speakers are from Alabama, California, Illinois, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and North and South Carolina.

The Grand Casino Hotel is offering special rates for the weekend, and generous discounts are offered for early workshop conference registrants.

The three-day Southern Expressions event will be informative and entertaining.

For more information, contact co-chairmen Dan Ellis at Ask@DanEllis.Net or Cindy Lamb at 2x4@gte.net. Updated information is readily available from the Gulf Coast Writers Association's website at GCWriters.Org.



Ragland honored at MSU

A recent gift to Mississippi State honors Diamondhead resident and university alumnus Evan Ragland. Canton native Hunter Henry Jr., a fellow MSU graduate and major benefactor to the Starkville school, has provided funds to significantly upgrade a physics laboratory and create an endowment fund in the department of physics and astronomy. Both lab and fund will be named for Ragland, Henry's longtime friend. A 1949 graduate, Ragland is a computer technology inventor and retired founder of EFTS Corp. Henry, a 1950 graduate, is the retired president of Dow Chemical USA. With them is department head Mark Novotny.

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BUSINESS NEWS

Baxter, Corr named bank vice presidents

Hancock Bank President and Chief Executive Officer George A. Schloegel recently announced officer promotions approved during the Hancock Holding Company and Hancock Bank board of directors regular November 2002 board meeting:

John D. McGalliard, Senior Vice President. Thirty-two-year financial services veteran John McGalliard joined Hancock Bank in 1999 as Hancock Mortgage Corporation manager. The Spur, TX, native received a bachelor of science degree in finance from the University of Texas at Austin. He completed the American Real Estate Appraisal Institute courses I and II, a multitude of mortgage banking courses, and is an FHA Direct Endorsement designee.

John P. Baxter, Vice President. Hancock Bank Bay St. Louis Highway 90 Branch Manager John Baxter holds a bachelor of arts degree from The University of Mississippi and is an alumni association board member for St. Stanislaus High School and former board member for Ole Miss. He completed the Cannon Financial Institute Sales School and attended the American Bankers Association School of Bank Marketing.

Baxter, a Mississippi Young Bankers Association councilman-at-large, is also a Bay St. Louis Rotary board member. He is vice president of the Hancock Medical Center Foundation board and incoming president of the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce.

He is an active leader in numerous Gulf Coast business and civic organizations, including the United Way of South Mississippi, Kids Voting and American Cancer Society. Baxter, who joined Hancock Bank in 1995, also served as a trust officer and corporate marketing manager.

Amy M. Corr, Vice President. Amy Corr, a native of Bay St. Louis, manages Hancock Bank's main Bay St. Louis branch. A former loan closer and

Swiftly Serve to sell 500 plus sites, including three locally

National Real Estate Clearinghouse (NRC) is coordinating the disposition of more than 500 convenience stores, service stations and truck stops owned by Swiftly Serve Corporation of Durham, NC.

The stores, located primarily in the southeastern part of the United States, will be sold through a sealed bid sale in a "buy one, some or all" format on Dec. 12.

Interested buyers can attend any of three How-To-Bid Seminars conducted by NRC.

Locations include:
New Orleans on Sunday, Nov. 24 at the Hilton Riverside hotel, Two Poydras Street.
Seminars will start at 10 a.m. sharp. A list of stores is available by calling 877-554-9584 or on online at www.nrcbid.com/207.

Color sales brochures, along with due diligence packages that contain detailed information about the stores, Terms of the Sale and Bidder's Packages, are now available for order from NRC at 1-800-747-3342 ext. 207 at a cost of \$35 per book plus shipping.

Former convenience store properties will be open for inspection (except kiosks) on December 3-4.

Due to the large number of sites, locations will be



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BETH ELROD

customer service representative at the bank's Bay St. Louis Highway 90 office and loan officer at the Diamondhead branch, Corr has been with Hancock Bank since 1985. She is a graduate of Bay St. Louis High School and studied finance at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

Corr is also a member of the Mississippi School of Banking class of 2000. She completed Hancock University's Credit School, Retail Management Tract, and Management Trainee Program. Named Exchange of the Year in 1997, Corr is a member and former secretary of the Hancock County Exchange Club. She serves on the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce board of directors and as secretary of Bay St. Louis Rotary. She is also a member of the Hancock County Historical Society and Bay-Waveland Yacht Club.

Beth Elrod, Vice President. McHenry native Beth Elrod joined Hancock Bank 17 years ago. The Strategic Services team leader has also served as a business systems liaison for Micro Applications and the bank's Mission Centennial automation project.

She is a graduate of Harrison Central High

open for one hour (60 minutes) each on each date. No other inspection times are available. Consult showing schedule insert provided with the sales brochure or page to be posted on the nrcbid.com website for specific showing times and locations.

Swiftly Serve operated over 600 stores in 12 states including Florida, North and South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Missouri, Alabama, Louisiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio and Virginia and was the 25th largest convenience store operator in the U.S.

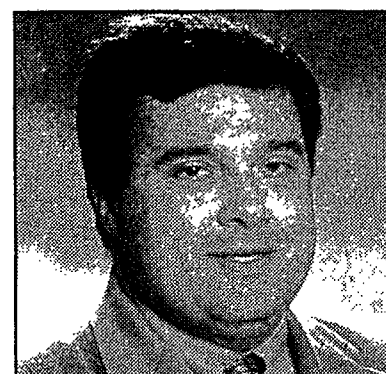
The company ceased operations and all stores were closed after the Bankruptcy filing on October 4th.

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R. CLAY LEYSER

School and attended Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. Elrod has completed American Institute of Banking (AIB) courses, AllTel's BA Features and Functions and RM Features and Functions technology training, and Crystal Reports.

R. Clay Leyser, Vice President. Formerly a loan officer at the bank's Pass Christian office and a business analyst with the Mission Centennial automation project, Clay Leyser currently manages Hancock Bank's Diamondhead branch. He joined the Hancock team in 1996 and has over 12 years' financial service experience.

Leyser graduated from St. Stanislaus High School in Bay St. Louis and received a bachelor of science degree in finance from The University of Mississippi. He is also a 2002 graduate of the Mississippi School of Banking. Leyser is a past vice president and board member of the Diamondhead Business and Professional Association and a member of the Pass Christian Yacht Club.3

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Area police officers join with Gulfport and Biloxi to establish Coast-wide mounted patrol

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff writer

Several police officers from Hancock County have temporarily traded in their patrol cars for four hooves and a saddle.

The six officers from the Bay St. Louis and Waveland police departments saddled up for a three-day, 30-hour training school for mount patrol held at the Harrison County fairgrounds this week.

They were among 31 officers from seven states who learned how to ride horses while conducting actual police work, including searching and arresting techniques and handcuffing a suspect while on horseback.

The Bay St. Louis police officers included Clay Necaise and assistant chief Dave Stepro.

Necaise, who has served as a police officer for two years, has no mount patrol experience but has ridden in the rodeo for the last six years.

"A mount patrol would be good in Hancock County for parades or prisoner escapes," he said. "If something happened in a wooded area, we could use the horses."

Stepro said neither the Bay St. Louis nor the Waveland Police Department has a full-time mount patrol because there is not enough demand for one. However, he said the police departments hope to respond to parades and other special events using horses.

Besides the average pony ride, this was the first time for Stepro to really ride a horse. He said the experience has been very valuable to him as a police officer.

"The training offers a good chance to further our



From left are Dave Stepro and Buck, Daniel Murphy and Gambler, Clay Necaise and Magic, Jerry Cook and Sassy, Bill Roessling and Dolly, and Laura Stepro and Cloud.

expertise and skills," Stepro said. "So far I've learned a lot of skills to make me a good horseman," Stepro said.

Officers from the Waveland Police Department included Jerry Cook, Bill Roessling, Daniel Murphy and narcotics agent Laura Stepro.

Cook, an officer since January 2001, said he had "minimal riding experience" but took the opportunity to train because it was "something different."

He found the most beneficial part of the training to be working with the other officers.

"It helped me get used to being in a group of other officers on horses," Cook said.

Roessling, who has about four years experience with mount patrol, also found the training helpful.

"I like learning about the skills most," said Roessling,

an officer since June 1994. "I've learned crowd control tactics and how to apprehend suspects from a horse."

He said the also training allowed him to sharpen his skills as a police officer not only on horse but in a patrol car and on foot.

Learning new skills was not the only objective for Murphy, who has helped his family train horses for mount patrol.

"I chose to take the training because the mount patrol is a more elite unit,"

said Murphy, an officer since October 2000. "And, it's more fun."

Murphy, who has ridden for recreation for years, said the toughest part of the training was learning how to approach suspects while riding a horse.

Laura Stepro, an officer of 10 years, has also had previous experience with horses.

"I love horses," Stepro said. "The ultimate job would be riding a horse while doing police work."

Unfortunately, most

police departments cannot afford to have a full-time mount patrol, said Sgt. Brian Donavant with the Gulfport Police Department.

Donavant, who served as an instructor during the training, gave the following example of the cost of a mount patrol.

"A trained 2-year-old horse from the New Orleans Police Department costs about \$3,500," he said. "The maintenance budget per year for its mount patrol is \$125,000."

However, the Coast does have the Mississippi Coast Mounted Police Association (MCPMA).

"There's not a formal structure within the association," Donavant said. "It's a cooperative effort among police officers to help law enforcement across the board."

He said there were about 50 officers with mount patrol capabilities in the three coastal counties. Donavant said the association hopes to be able to draw from that pool of officers for special events along the Coast.

"Horses are just another tool," he said. "If we get all the tools together, the police departments can provide a great service to the community."

The MCPMA has been in existence for about a year and was originally organized to help fund the Gulfport Police Mount Patrol.

"We hope to expand it to all coastal counties and use it as a funding mechanism to help the mount patrol," Donavant said.

Donavant said the mount patrol was used during Black Spring Break, Mardi Gras and the July 4th holiday. He said the patrol was especially useful during the Independence Day celebration because the horses were the only ones that could get through the crowds and traffic and on the beach.

Donavant said the horses help provide a bridge between officers in patrol cars and on foot. He stressed most of all that the horses were a credible component of law enforcement.

"These horses are not a public relations gimmick," Donavant said. "They're working police horses."



Bay St. Louis police officer Clay Necaise, left, and assistant chief Dave Stepro lead their horses around a helicopter in order to expose them to something they might see during a special event. "We want to expose the horses to as many things as possible," said Sgt. Brian Donavant with the Gulfport Police Department. "We have to train the horse how to trust the rider and not be afraid."



Bill Roessling, left, and Clay Necaise simulate an encounter between an officer on horseback and a suspect on foot under the watchful eye of an instructor.

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The more intense color in the petals makes the plants very striking. The unusually warm temperatures are causing collards, mustard, and turnips to use more water than normal.

Give them a good soaking of at least an inch of water each week to prevent bitterness. Greens are also growing faster than normal, so keep them harvested before they get over-mature and fibrous.

Cold Turkeys



Waveland Elementary School celebrated Reading is Fundamental Day (RIF) on Tuesday. Parents volunteered to read stories at stations set up in school hallways. Students were also given the chance to pick four or five books from a selection in the library. And just for fun to celebrate the season, live turkeys were provided for viewing courtesy of the Country Market in Kiln.



Snapdragons make ideal fall plantings



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BY NORMAN WINTER
MSU Horticulturist
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If it is really cold, completely cover the snaps with a layer of pine straw for a few days if necessary, removing once the tem-

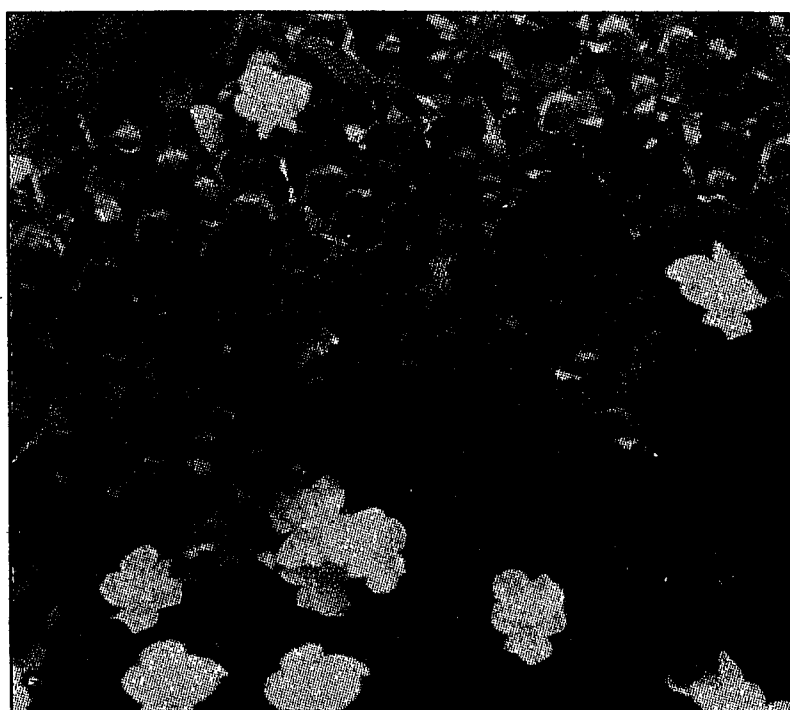
peratures have moderated.

Snapdragons prefer well drained, organic-rich beds prepared much like you would for pansies. Till in 3 to 4 inches of organic matter to a depth of 8 to 10 inches. While tilling, work in two pounds of a slow-release, 12-6-6-fertilizer per 100 square feet of bed space.

There is a color of snapdragon that is sure to fit any scheme. These include red, yellow, pink, burgundy, bronze, orange, white and multiple colors.

For the most effective display, I still believe massing the beds in single colors is the way to go. A couple of years ago, I stopped at the Natchez Sonic Drive-In and saw their wonderful bed of 24-inch-tall yellow snapdragons.

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Dwarf Montego snapdragons and yellow pansies create a mixed container that would brighten any porch, patio or deck.

SPORTS

SSC, OLA & Hancock finish strong in state swim meet

Crescents finish 9th; Hawks place 12th; Rocks are 11th

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The MHSAA held its annual State Swimming Championships at the Biloxi Natatorium on Saturday, November 2. The Hancock Hawks, St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws, and the OLA Crescents all participated in the event. The top scoring team for the area schools was OLA who finished 9th overall out of 25 scoring teams while the Lady Hawks placed 25th.

The Rocks took 11th out of 26 scoring teams while Hancock finished immediately them in 12th place.

The Crescents tallied a point total of 97 points while SSC garnered 69 points in the state meet. The Hawks finished with two points on the women's side followed by 62 points on the boys team.

Tupelo edged the Biloxi girls for the team state title scoring 260 points to 214 points. On the boys side,

Biloxi claimed their second straight team title with 389 points.

Alyssa Walter became the first medalist in recent OLA history with a second place finish in the 200-yard individual medley with a time of 2:18.57. Other top ten finishers for the Crescents were Amanda Sramek in the 50-yard freestyle with a ninth place finish. The 200-yard freestyle relay and the 200-yard medley relay teams from OLA touched the wall in 5th and 7th place, respectively. Their times were 1:51.40 and 2:06.35.

The top finisher for the Lady Hawks was Cindy

Spangler in the 100-yard freestyle. Spangler finished the race in 15th place out of 70 swimmers with a time of 1:02.71.

The top finisher for the Rocks was Cole Larsen who touched the wall in 4th place in the 500-yard freestyle event and the 200-yard individual medley. His times were 5:21.14 and 2:09.45.

Ian Blakeney was the top individual finisher for the Hawks. He placed 13th out of 30 swimmers in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 1:08.44.

The Hancock relay team finished 6th in both the 200-yard freestyle and 200-yard

medley relays with times of 1:43.51 and 2:00.55. The Rock-a-chaw 400-yard freestyle relay team finished in 6th place with a time of 4:02.48.

The South State championships were held a week earlier in Laurel. OLA placed sixth overall in South State with 153

points. Hancock finished with 50 points to finish 13th overall. The South State title was won by Biloxi with 399 points. On the boys side, St. Stanislaus finished third overall with 165 points while Hancock was 8th with 106 points. Biloxi also claimed the South State title with 493 points.

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SPORTS

Lady 'Cats come close, but fall short of state soccer title

South Division champ Pearl River wraps up season at 13-2-2; great expectations set for next year

Adam Breerwood's 2002 edition of Pearl River Community College Lady Wildcat soccer came close, but fell short of its first-ever MACJC championship this season.

The Lady Wildcats cruised through the regular season with a perfect 8-0 division record to claim the South title and lost only twice during the year both losses to defending state champion Hinds which won the 2002 title with a 4-1 victory over PRCC Oct. 27 in Poplarville.

"We came close, but not close enough," said Breerwood, who has coached the program since its inception four years ago. "But I can't say enough positive things about this group. I can't express the pride I have. We suffered through lots of injuries, but continued to work hard on the practice field and in game situations."

"They're very special. The Lady Wildcats utilized the offensive punch of freshmen Ashley Chrisman of Our Lady Academy and Gina Neely of George County throughout the season. Chrisman, a Kiln resident, finished the season with a team-high 28 goals and 19 assists fifth in the NJCAA while Neely's 16 goals and 12 assists ranked in the top 20 in the nation.

"When you have that

kind of offensive power, you're one up on the opposition 90 percent of the time," Breerwood said. "And both played with injuries."

Chrisman played the last five games of the season with a broken bone in her right foot, while Neely dealt with the repercussions of a concussion late in the year.

"Ashley's a true warrior. We originally thought her ankle injury was a severe sprain, but after the doctors got involved we discovered she actually had a break in there," Breerwood said. "But she never gave up and was an outstanding performer even with her bad ankle."

Freshman Katie Fillingame of Bay High also drew praise as "the heart of our team."

"I can't say enough about her," Breerwood said. "She's one of the toughest is not the toughest soccer player to ever come through our program. Katie did things on the field that never show up in a scorebook or in newspaper clippings...she came to play each and every day and played the last three games of the season with a hairline wrist fracture."

Breerwood said his sophomore group displayed great leadership skills throughout the season.

"They went through our two-win season last year and it would've been easy

for them to just hang it up," he said. "But they showed as much desire and determination to achieve greatness as anybody."

Sophomores Brett Trotter of Forrest County AHS was tagged the "most improved player over the last year" by Breerwood, while Angela Bruno of Picayune was a defensive mainstay.

"You could always count on Angela," he continued. "She was also there to shut down the opposition."

Sophomores Rachel Grayson of Poplarville and Shana Simmons of Forrest County AHS were solid reserve players.

"Rachel has as big of a heart as any athlete I've ever been around," Breerwood said. "She didn't get a lot of playing time, but when she did she came through with flying colors."

"Shana was the same way...an outstanding back up player."

Freshman Brooke Conover of Harrison Central was tagged the "heart and soul of our defense" by Breerwood.

"She'd play hurt and still be a threat," he said. "She's a solid, all-around player that will be even greater next season."

Freshman keeper Liz Isgett, also of Harrison Central, was touted for her performance throughout the year.

"Liz dictated the tempo of many of the games," he said. "And she came up with some key saves that won several games for us."

Freshmen Ashley Gaston, Lauren Hillery, and Carlie Duke, all of Picayune

High, and Sky Thomas of Bay High will also be key cogs next season.

"All got in valuable playing time and scored several crucial goals in crucial situations," Breerwood said. "Things look bright for next year."

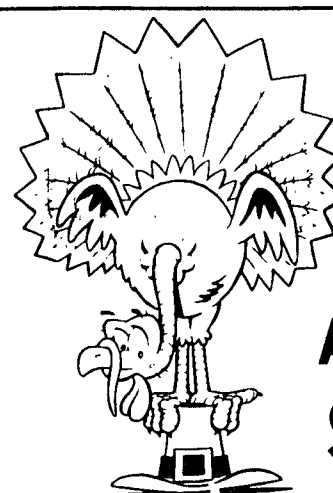
Breerwood is hitting the recruiting trail and says a few key signees could propel the Lady Wildcats back into the championship picture next year.

"If we can get everybody back and keep them healthy, I don't see why we can't be back in this same situation next season," he said. "We'll have some big holes to fill, but we just finished a successful season with a group of great freshmen that were dedicated to winning here at The River."

Chris D'Ambrosio completed his fourth season as Breerwood's assistant and was lauded for his contributions.

"Chris is not only great soccer coach, but a great friend," he said. "He's been playing soccer since he was seven and knows the game backwards and forwards. Plus he did an incredible job relating to the players."

Former Wildcat keeper Steven Boudro served as student assistant coach.



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OLA, Bay girls win in soccer

OLA-Gautier

Defending state soccer champions Our Lady Academy defeated Gautier 6-0 Tuesday night in high school soccer. Laura Ellis and Kara Harshbarger had two goals each for the Crescents. Rachel Cranford and Lauren Rittiner also scored as OLA ran its record to 4-0. Cranford had two assists while Margaret Hadden, Ellis, Harshbarger and Katherine Milner had one each. Annie Giardino recorded the shutout in goal.

In the junior varsity contest, OLA won 8-0. Lauren Renz had three goals and Lindsey Benvenuti had two for the junior Crescents. Kay Pourirati, Rachel Wright and Annie Giardino had one each. Meghan Flynt had three assists while Lakasia Ducksworth and Nikki Harshbarger had one

each. Brett Walsh earned the shutout in goal for the 2-0 Crescents.

OLA will host the Oak Grove Lady Warriors Saturday at 11 a.m.

Lady Tigers-Lady Hawks

The Bay High School Lady Tigers downed the Hancock Lady Hawks 7-1 in soccer Tuesday night. Samantha Billingsley led Bay High with three goals and Hannah Johnson added two. Brittany Strong and Joanna Mannion also scored as the Lady Tigers evened their record at 1-1. Tori Lansaw and Lindsay Richardson each had an assist. Megan Corr led the defense with five saves in goal.

The junior varsity girls will host Resurrection

tonight at 5:30 p.m. The varsity girls will play Monday night in Long Beach.

OLA-Long Beach

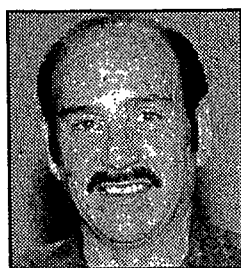
OLA stopped the Long Beach Lady Bearcats 4-1 last Friday in soccer action. Lauren Rittiner scored two goals for the Crescents and Kara Harshbarger and Jennifer Coote had one each. Rachel Cranford, Harshbarger and Lauren Forte each had an assist.

In the junior varsity game, OLA won 4-0. Rachel Wright, Meghan Flynt, Jane Covington and Annie Giardino all scored for the Crescents. Caroline Boelte, Covington and Giardino each had an assist. Brett Walsh and Jennifer Coote combined for the shutout in goal.

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Bay Youth Basketball final registration will be Saturday, Nov. 23, 1-5 p.m. at the VCJ Community Complex on Old Spanish Trail in Bay St. Louis next to the police department.

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Gardening -- snapdragons

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flowers, particularly the old-fashioned Rockets. My favorites have been Sonnets and Liberty that get about 18 to 24 inches tall.

I have been patiently waiting for the new selections to come our way, and I am happy to say that I have seen beautiful Ribbons that also get 18 inches and the new dwarf series called Montego.

Miniature varieties have always been popular in Mississippi, particularly the Tahiti, Bells and Floral Showers. The dwarf Montego series is a big improvement as they hold

their flowers much more erect. These are great in the landscape and super for growing in containers.

Trailing varieties have really caught on with gardeners for use in the landscape, baskets and mixed containers. The big three series in trailing snapdragons are Lamplion, Chandelier and Luminaire.

If you have grown these or looked closely, it becomes apparent they not only have a different habit and feel but also offer additional heat tolerance by virtue of hybridization of Antirrhinum majus with A. hispanicum and A. molle

species from Spain. As is typical of the large varieties, the trailing types come in several colors.

Snapdragons work well in combination with pansies, panolas, violas, and ornamental kale or cabbage. Plant them in bold drifts in front of evergreen shrubs to show off their color. Try planting them close to beds of spring-flowering daffodils.

Snapdragons are not that hard to grow. Deadhead to keep flowers producing, water during dry spells, mulch for winter protection, and feed with a light application of fertilizer in very

early spring and again a month later.

Snapdragon selections are very good right now and a little fall planting and sprucing up will give your home landscape an inviting appearance.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

Norman Winter is a horticulturist with Mississippi State University's Extension Service. His office is located at the Central Mississippi Research and Extension Center at 1320 Seven Springs Road, Raymond, MS 39154. He can be heard weekdays at 7:19 a.m. on Public Radio in Mississippi.

Long Court-ship



Page A. Harder, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Harder of Bay St. Louis, was recently elected to the Homecoming Court at St. Cloud State University in St. Cloud, Minn., for the second year in a row.

USMGC's Live Oak Writing Project gets \$18K grant

THE SEA COAST ECHO
With a recent \$18,500 grant, The University of Southern Mississippi-Gulf Coast's Live Oak Writing Project has received \$97,000 in grant money in its two-year existence.

The most recent 2002-03 grant from the Mississippi Writing/Thinking Institute was awarded after LOWP received a \$28,000 grant from the National Writing Project last spring, also for the 2002-03 year.

"This grant, with all of the others, has afforded us the opportunity to continue offering such a program that will improve the quality of writing in our Gulf Coast schools," said Dr. Elaine White, project co-director and assistant professor of English at USMGC. White is joined by Mary Kay Deen and Frances Weiler, the other co-directors.

Other grants received by the project include a \$20,000 NWP grant for the 2001-02 year, an \$18,500 grant from the Mississippi Power Education Foundation for the 2002-03 year.

The grant money facilitates LOWP, a USMGC writing program, helping Gulf Coast teachers train better writers.

Thirty-three teachers have completed a hands-on, Invitational Summer Institute where they have examined their classroom practices, conducted research and developed their own writing skills. The Summer Institute is offered each year for those selected to become Teacher Consultants.

The work of the site

includes not only the Summer Institute, but also work with school children in young writer's camps and continued training in composition instruction for the more than 50 Teacher Consultants who have affiliated with LOWP.

Other functions of LOWP include leadership training for the Teacher Consultants and in-service programs provided for other teachers through events such as the annual Fall Festival of Writing on the Mississippi Gulf Coast and in the Pascagoula, Bay-Waveland, Pass Christian and Hancock County school districts.

LOWP is a local project site of the National Writing Project, which is a professional development network, established in 1974 for teachers to improve the teaching and learning of writing in public schools.

"Our site is already involved in many of the activities characteristic of a more mature, established site," said White. "The Teacher Consultants trained by LOWP have helped us develop a reputation of excellence that reflects well not only on our own site but also on USM Gulf Coast."

During the coming year, the service area of LOWP will be extended to include teachers in Pearl River, George and Stone counties. In addition to programs and services already offered by LOWP, the site has become part of the Rural Sites Network and the Teacher Inquiry Network, both NWP-sponsored programs.

To learn more about the Live Oak Writing Project, contact White at (228) 214-3288.

USMGC to host Presidential Assessment Conference

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The University of Southern Mississippi-Gulf Coast will provide an in-depth assessment of the George W. Bush presidency, Nov. 22 and 23, as it hosts the scholarly conference, "Assessing the Presidency of George W. Bush at Midpoint."

"This conference will provide the first in-depth, scholarly analysis of the Bush presidency," said Dr. Tom Lansford, assistant professor of political science at USMGC, who is one of the conference organizers.

According to Lansford, it will also be the first time in recent history that scholars will come together to assess a president's performance at the midpoint of the term.

The conference will be held from 8 a.m.-4:45 p.m., Nov. 22, and 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Nov. 23, at the Advanced Education Center Auditorium at the Gulf Park campus in Long Beach.

It is free and open to the public.

Along with USMGC, co-

sponsors of the conference include the Center for International Politics and Ethics at New England College and the Journal of White House Studies.

Scholars will present research on a variety of topics, ranging from foreign and national security policy to Bush's management of the economy and his environmental record.

The presenters will also be asked to grade the president and provide an overall rating, in addition to ratings in six specific categories (foreign policy, domestic policy, relations with Congress, leadership, personal integrity and policy ethics).

Lansford said following the conference many of the essays will be published in an edited volume through the State University of New York (SUNY) Press, which is one of the nation's top presses on the presidency.

For a complete schedule and for more information on the conference, call Lansford at (228) 214-3291.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly

TOPS MS 233 met Tuesday, Nov. 19 at the Waveland Methodist Church on Vacation Lane and Central Avenue.

TOPS' best loser for the week was Wenda with 2.50 lbs. The gift was won by Shirley, but donated it back. The incentive was won by Pat. Chapter members welcomed a new member, Myra.

Wenda presented the quarterly awards for top loser and perfect attendance. TOPS 233 meets

every Tuesday at the Waveland Methodist Church. Weight-ins are 5-6 p.m. with the meeting following. Interested persons are invited to call Wenda at 467-1695.

Gourley accepted at ITT

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Entertainment

Charo 'cuchi-chuchis' her way to Casino Magic

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The original "Cuchi-Cuchi" girl, Charo, will make a stop at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Friday and Saturday, Nov. 22 and 23 at 9 p.m. each night.

Tickets are \$14.95, \$19.95 and \$24.95 and are available at the Casino Magic Box Office by calling 1-800-5-MAGIC-5 or at any Ticketmaster location.

Only a few multi-talented people are recognized with just one name and bring a smile to your face when that name is mentioned.

Charo is one of those few. Everything Latin is in right now, and that includes Charo, the original "Cuchi-Cuchi" girl.

The performer recently returned to the limelight following more than a decade of self-imposed exile in Hawaii to raise her son Shel with husband Kjell Rasten.

While in Hawaii, Charo and Rasten ran a Mexican restaurant, and Charo entertained at clubs around the island until the Hilton Hawaiian Village built her a showroom.

She entertained international audiences every night while playing mamasita



Charo is coming to Casino Magic Bay St. Louis Nov. 22-23.

during the day.

Now, Charo tours around the world, from Europe to Latin America to Asia. She

also continues to appear in Las Vegas, Atlantic City, Reno and around the United States.

Born Maria Rosario Pilar Martinez Molina Barza in Murica, Spain, she was nicknamed Charo as a child.

Attending school at the Catholic convent of the Sacred Heart, Charo began playing guitar at the age of nine. Those who only know the "Cuchi-Cuchi" side of Charo will be surprised to learn that as a child she studied with Andres Segovia, the father of modern classical guitar music.

As a teenager in Madrid, she recorded albums, debuted on film in the Spanish classic "Don Juan Tenorio" and was featured in a TV show similar to "Sesame Street."

When famed Big Band leader Xavier Cugat saw her on the television show, he decided she was what his orchestra needed. She joined his band and later went out on her own as a solo performer at the age of 19. She has earned the prestigious Golden Eagle Award as Outstanding Entertainer of the Year by Nosotros, the leading Hispanic arts organization, an award also won by Gloria Estefan and Carlos Santana.

She has also received the Distinguished Career

Award from Hispanic Exhibitor and Distributor. She was the winner of Guitar Player magazine's Readers Poll as Best Flamenco Guitarist two years in a row, and most recently released two albums, "Guitar Passion," showing off her guitar skills and "Gusto," her first dance album since the disco era.

She has appeared on American television as Aunt Charo in the sitcom "Chico and the Man," has been featured on more episodes of "The Love Boat" than anyone else, and made guest appearances on "Laugh In," "The Carol Burnett Show," "The Late Show with David Letterman," and "The Tonight Show with Johnny Carson."

Presently, she has been starring in "Bravo" at The Sahara Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas and will bring the same type of variety show to Casino Magic Bay St. Louis. Must be 21 to attend.



(From left) Ray Miller as George Bailey, Martin Booda as Clarence Odbody, Angel 2nd Class, and Lynn Daniels as Mary Bailey.

'It's a Wonderful Life' at GLT

BY SHANNON JENKINS
Staff Writer

Gulfport Little Theatre will present "It's a Wonderful Life" Nov. 22-24.

Showtimes will begin at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. on Sundays. The musical is faithful to the original story of George Bailey, a man who always wondered what his life would be like if he had followed his boyhood dreams. When he finds himself in a desperate situation, he wishes he'd never had been born. Angel Second Class Clarence Odbody, his heavenly protector, lets George discover the true value of his life when his wish is granted.

The show will star Ray Miller as George Bailey, Lynn Daniels as Mary Bailey,

Martin Booda as Clarence, Kitty Deitrick as Ma Bailey, Dean Todd as Pop Bailey, Scott Shull as Harry Bailey, Terry Miles as Aunt Tilly, Tom Butler as Uncle Billy, Bob Barrett as Henry Potter, Dennis Dauphin as Ernie, Bryan Swann as Bert, Susan Barrett as Ms. Carter, Patrick Walsh as Mr. Gower, Denise Anne Bauman as Miss Andrews, Jennifer Whiting as Miss Crabtree, Max Barrett as Young George, Dean Hornsby as Sam Wainwright, Jackie Dauphin as Mrs. Hatch, Alicia Beckendorff as Ms. Thompson, Leon Sootin as Mr. Welch, Nathan Chandler as Tommy Bailey and Nicholas Nicaise as Peter Bailey.

R. W. "Bob" Smith will direct. Others involved

include Cindy Williamson, musical director; Jerry Varvel Jr., set construction. For more information, call 864-7983. Reservations are not required. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$8 for students. Gulfport Little Theatre is located at 2600 13th Ave. directly behind Chris' Beauty College on Pass Road.

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Lots/Acreage

2 COMMERCIAL LOTS EACH LOT 50X200. Total 100 foot on Hwy 603. Water in back. \$25,000 each or both for \$45,900. 228-466-2505 nights; 228-467-9545 days.

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Condo Rental/Sale

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY T. LEE, DECEASED
RUSSELL ANTHONY LEE, EXECUTOR
CIVIL ACTION NO. 2002-665
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 19th day of Nov. A.D., 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned, upon the Estate of Dorothy T. Lee, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration, according to law, within three (3) months from this date. A failure to probate and register any claim within said time will forever bar the said claim.

This 19th day of Nov. A.D., 2002.
RUSSELL ANTHONY LEE
Executor of the Estate of Dorothy T. Lee

D. Michelle Lumpkin
Attorney at Law
220 E. Third Street
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Picayune, MS 39466
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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on October 24, 2001, Terry M. Oliver and Angela R. Oliver, executed a deed of trust to Amy Mandat, trustee for the benefit of MERS, which deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 661 at Page 348 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi; and, the aforesaid MERS, the holder of said deed of trust and the note secured thereby, substituted John C. Underwood, Jr. as Trustee thereon, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument dated September 15, 2002 and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 718 at Page 188; and, WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby, having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, MERS, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereon, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expense of sale, NOW, THEREFORE, I, John C. Underwood, Jr., Substituted Trustee, in said deed of trust, will on the 10th day of December, 2002, offer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, and sell within legal hours being between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. at the Main front door of the County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following described property situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Commencing at the SE corner of Lot 318, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, then North 70 degrees 00 minutes West 89.0 feet along the South line of said Lot 318 to the Point of Beginning, thence continuing North 70 degrees 00 minutes West 135.0 feet along said lot line, thence South 20 degrees 00 minutes West 140.0 feet, thence South 70 degrees 00 minutes East 135.0 feet, thence North 20 degrees 00 minutes East 140.0 feet to the Point of Beginning, Being part of Lots 311, 342 and 355, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, together with a non-exclusive right of way easement for road and utility purposes over, over and across the following described real property, to-wit: Beginning at the NE corner of Lot 318, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, thence South 20 degrees 00 minutes West 71.0 feet, thence South 13 degrees 00 minutes West 34.0 feet, thence South 20 degrees 00 minutes West 45.0 feet, thence North 70 degrees 00 minutes East 140.0 feet, thence North 20 degrees 00 minutes East 140.0 feet, thence North 70 degrees 00 minutes East 39.0 feet, thence North 20 degrees 00 minutes East 27.0 feet, thence North 81 degrees 56 minutes East 34.0 feet, thence North 20 degrees 00 minutes East 59.0 feet to the South right of way line of Washington Street, thence South 70 degrees 00 minutes East 20.0 feet to the Point of Beginning, Being a part of Lot 318 and 341, Third Ward, City of Bay St. Louis, Hancock County, Mississippi, I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 1st day of November, 2002.

John C. Underwood, Jr.
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
Control #0207098
11/14; 11/21; 11/28; 12/05/02

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on December 29, 2000, Mary A. Osterholm, Single Woman, executed a Deed of Trust to Wendell W. Adams, Trustee for the use and benefit of First Choice Funding, Inc., which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 615 at Page 620 thereof; and, WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to BHE PROVENANCE, a Substituted Trustee, on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 615 at Page 620 thereof; and, WHEREAS, the legal holder of the said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted Lem Adams, III, as Trustee thereon, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 719 at Page 267 thereof; and, WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the said indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust so to do, notice is hereby given that I, Lem Adams, III, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, during the legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the North front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 22nd day of November, 2002, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Lots 12, 13, 14 and 15, Block 720, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit 11, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS my signature, on this 24th day of October, 2002.

LEM ADAMS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
Foreclosure Department
POST OFFICE BOX 400
BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI 39043
(601) 825-9508
10/31; 11/07; 11/14; 11/21/02

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on May 9, 1996, Richard J. Rabalais and Rosemarie K. Rabalais executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust to Lucien M. Gex, Jr., Trustee for the benefit of Roy A. Torres, Jr. and Michelle M. Torres, or Survivor, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 577, Page 162 and 163; and, WHEREAS, on March 19, 1999, Roy A. Torres, Jr. and Michelle M. Torres, or Survivor, assigned said Deed of Trust to The Bank of New York, as Trustee pursuant to the terms of that certain Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of November 1, 1998 related to Metropolitan Asset Funding, Inc. II, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 1998-B, by instrument recorded in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 577 at Page 162 and 163; and, WHEREAS, on August 23, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Priority Trustee Services of Mississippi, L.L.C., as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 724, Page 119; and, WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on December 17, 2002, I will, during legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and

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4 o'clock p.m.), at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: Beginning at the SE corner of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes West for 195.64 feet to an I.P. at the intersection of the railroad property and the South line of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, thence North 77 degrees 22 minutes West 400.54 feet along the North R.O.W. of the railroad to an I.P., thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes West 199.10 feet to an I.P., thence South 81 degrees 08 minutes East 671.76 feet to an I.P. on the 1/2 Section Line of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes East 199.84 feet along the said 1/2 Section Line to the P.O.B., being 3.27 acres in the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi. Title to the above-described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 18th day of November, 2002.

Thomas E. Prior
Priority Trustee Services of Mississippi, L.L.C.
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(770) 234-9181
02461 maala
11/21; 11/28; 12/05; 12/12/02

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on October 18, 2000, James H. Shewmaker, Jr., executed a Deed of Trust to Richard Payne, Trustee for the use and benefit of SIB Mortgage Corp. d/b/a Ivy Mortgage, which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Deed of Trust Book 608 at Page 375 thereof; and, WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was ultimately assigned to LaSalle Bank, N.A., f/a LaSalle National Bank, in its capacity as Indenture Trustee under the certain Sale and Servicing Agreement dated December 1, 2000 among AFC Trust Series 2000-4, As Issuer, Superior Bank/FSB, as Servicer, Coast-to-Coast Mortgage SPV-2, Corp., as Seller, LaSalle Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee, and Coast-to-Coast Financial Corporation, AFC Mortgage Loan Asset Backed Notes, Series 2000-4, and amendments thereto, by assignment on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Book 719 at Page 271 thereof; and, WHEREAS, the legal holder of the said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted Lem Adams, III, as Trustee thereon, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 719 at Page 271 thereof; and, WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the said indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust so to do, notice is hereby given that I, Lem Adams, III, Substitute Trustee, by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust, will offer for sale and will sell at public sale and outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, during the legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m.) at the North front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 22nd day of November, 2002, the following described land and property being the same land and property described in said Deed of Trust, situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit: Lots 12, 13, 14, and 15, Block 720, Shoreline Estates Subdivision, Unit 11, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision on file in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. Being the same property acquired from Mercedes B. wife of and Bert J. Hafner, dated May 12, 1991 and registered in Book 58 154 Page 161 of the records of Hancock County. Transfer of property is made subject to the following restrictions at Book M468. Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS my signature, on this 24th day of October, 2002.

LEM ADAMS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
PREPARED BY: ADAMS & EDENS
Foreclosure Department
POST OFFICE BOX 400
BRANDON, MISSISSIPPI 39043
(601) 825-9508
10/31; 11/07; 11/14; 11/21/02

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on the 12th day of March, 2001, Ann Marie B. Sipple, unmarried, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust to Mike Newton, Trustee for NationsCredit Financial Services Corporation, d/b/a, EquiCredit, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 624 at Page 234; and, WHEREAS, on the 11th day of July, 2002, NationsCredit Financial Services Corporation, d/b/a, EquiCredit, assigned said Deed of Trust to The Bank of New York, acting solely in its capacity as Trustee for EquiCredit Trust 2001-1F, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 703 at Page 608 and 609; and, WHEREAS, on the 25th day of October, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Lem Adams, III, as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 722 at Page 610; and, WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 13th day of December, 2002, I will, during legal hours, at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the Main front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: Lot One (1), WOODHAVEN SUBDIVISION, a subdivision according to the official map or plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Plat Book 15 at Pages 17-18 thereof, reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this deed. I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 11th day of November, 2002.
JOHN C. MORRIS, III
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE
2308 OLIVER RD
MONROE, LA 71201
518-330-9020
11/21; 11/28; 12/05; 12/12/02

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
WHEREAS, on May 9, 1996, Richard J. Rabalais and Rosemarie K. Rabalais executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust to Lucien M. Gex, Jr., Trustee for the benefit of Roy A. Torres, Jr. and Michelle M. Torres, or Survivor, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 577, Page 162 and 163; and, WHEREAS, on March 19, 1999, Roy A. Torres, Jr. and Michelle M. Torres, or Survivor, assigned said Deed of Trust to The Bank of New York, as Trustee pursuant to the terms of that certain Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of November 1, 1998 related to Metropolitan Asset Funding, Inc. II, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 1998-B, by instrument recorded in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 577 at Page 162 and 163; and, WHEREAS, on August 23, 2002, the holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Priority Trustee Services of Mississippi, L.L.C., as Trustee in said Deed of Trust, by instrument recorded in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 724, Page 119; and, WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on December 17, 2002, I will, during legal hours (between the hours of 11 o'clock a.m. and

4 o'clock p.m.), at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: Beginning at the SE corner of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes West for 195.64 feet to an I.P. at the intersection of the railroad property and the South line of the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, thence North 77 degrees 22 minutes West 400.54 feet along the North R.O.W. of the railroad to an I.P., thence North 00 degrees 12 minutes West 199.10 feet to an I.P., thence South 81 degrees 08 minutes East 671.76 feet to an I.P. on the 1/2 Section Line of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes East 199.84 feet along the said 1/2 Section Line to the P.O.B., being 3.27 acres in the NE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 22, Township 9 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi. Title to the above-described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 18th day of November, 2002.

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Stennis hosts Ocean Optics Conference

The University of Southern Mississippi's Department of Marine Science hosted 33 scientists from Stennis Space Center Nov. 13 to discuss expansion of collective efforts in ocean optics and remote sensing.

USM's Dr. Steven Lohrenz, professor of marine science, led the first meeting of the Stennis Marine Optics and Remote Sensing Working Group. Representatives discussed plans for communication, collaboration, and cooperation among the resident agencies involved in ocean optics and remote sensing at Stennis Space Center.

Participants also discussed the strengths of existing Stennis programs

and opportunities for future optics research.

"At the Stennis Space Center, we have an active community of agencies and individuals involved in marine optics and remote sensing, and this is an important national asset," said Lohrenz.

"The goal of the Stennis Marine Optics and Remote Sensing Working Group is to enhance communication and coordination among the various entities to facilitate building of partnerships and foster collaboration. We intend to establish a regular and informal forum for open exchange of information and ideas."

Organizations represented at the meeting included the USM's Department of Marine

Science, USM Scientific Computing, the Naval Oceanographic Office, the Commander of Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command, the Naval Research Laboratory, NASA, Planning Systems Inc., and Lockheed Martin Stennis Operations.

A division of the College of Marine Sciences, the Department of Marine Science is strategically located at Stennis Space Center in Hancock County, home to the world's largest population of oceanographers and hydrographers. The department offers both master's and doctoral degrees in marine science and a master's degree in hydrographic science.

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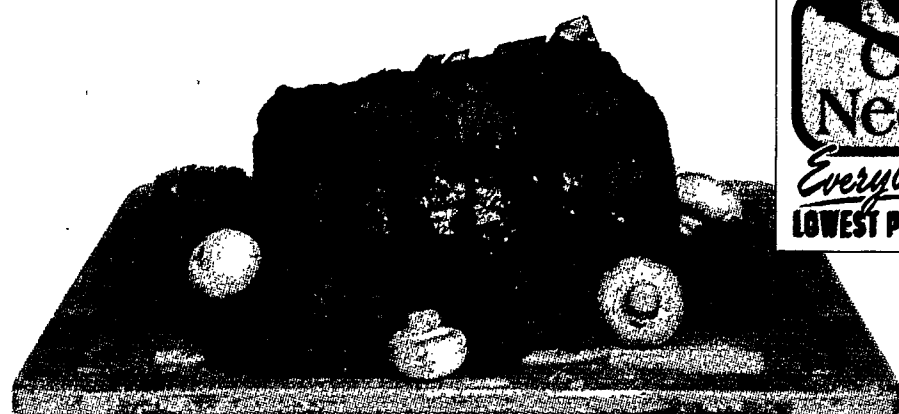
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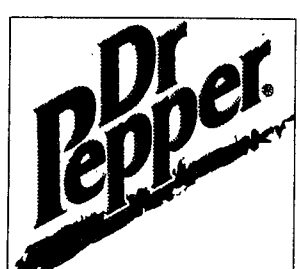
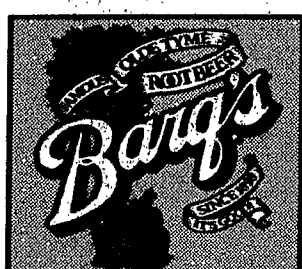
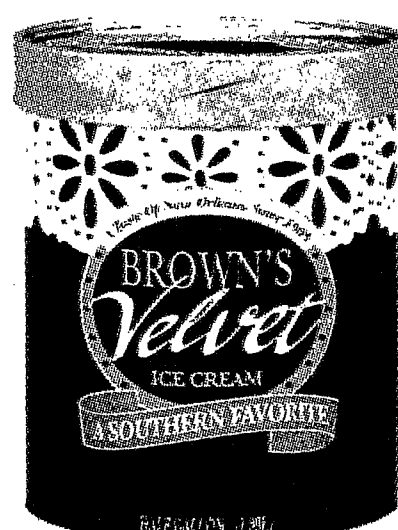
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